

# St Angela's

URSULINE SIXTH FORM







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## Welcome

We wish you a very warm welcome to St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form, as you consider the next stage of your education.

In your aspiration for university and working life, your choice of Post-16 education in both the institution you choose and the courses you wish to study, is one of the most important decisions you will make in your life. In addition, the educational leap you are about to make is the biggest you will ever make and so this is a time of great excitement.

We are a mixed gender Catholic Sixth Form Centre. We welcome students who do not share our Catholic faith and value the contribution they make to the Sixth Form. We seek to offer the highest quality Catholic, comprehensive education to students in the 16-19 age range.

At St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form we have an excellent tradition of not only providing an outstanding education, filled with the excitement and challenge of both advanced learning and assiduous pastoral care, but also the extra enrichment opportunities and outstanding support that have made our progression rates to university truly exceptional. Our institution boasts a choice of 24 A-Level courses, as well as the Extended Project Qualification.

Our links to universities and the world of work create cutting-edge opportunities for all students to grow as individuals, as well as be part of the very special, mutually supportive community, that is St Angela's Sixth Form.



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## Admissions

The Governors of St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form intend to admit a minimum of 150 students into Year 12 in the school year which begins in September 2024.

All applicants are required to declare their positive support for the aims and ethos of the school.

The Sixth Form serves the existing students of St Angela's Ursuline School, **who must meet both the overall and the individual course entry requirements**, after which students from all other secondary schools are considered under the admission criteria below.

## Oversubscription Criteria

**At any time where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:**

1. 'Looked After or previously looked after' children from all families **who fulfil the overall and individual grade requirements of suitable courses**, details of which can be found below.
2. Current Yr 11 students of St Angela's Ursuline School **who fulfil the overall and individual grade requirements of suitable courses**, details of which can be found below.
3. All other applicants **who fulfil the overall and individual grade requirements of suitable courses**, details of which can be found below.

Where the offer of places to all applicants in any of the categories listed above would lead to oversubscription the following provisions will be applied

- The attendance of a sibling, who will be on roll at St Angela's Ursuline School in Year 7 – 10 or 12 at time of application will increase the priority of an application within each category.
- Academic ability of students based on their GCSE average point score
- In the event of a tie-break scenario then distance from home to the nominated central point, the Sixth Form entrance at the front of St Angela's School.



## A Level Qualifications Awarded 2023

Those aged 16, 17 or 18 on 31.08.2023

	Entries	A*	A	B	A*-B%	C	A*-C%	D	E	A-E%
Art	7		3	4	100%		100%			100%
Biology	46		6	13	41%	10	63%	11	4	96%
Business Studies	32	1	5	12	56%	8	81%	5	1	100%
Chemistry	33		4	5	27%	10	58%	6	8	100%
Computer Studies	9		1	5	67%	1	78%	2		100%
Drama	7		2	3	71%	2	100%			100%
Economics	58	1	15	26	72%	11	91%	4	1	100%
English Literature	52	1	8	18	52%	19	88%	6		100%
Geography	17	1	3	5	53%	5	82%	2	1	100%
History	30	1	7	13	70%	7	93%	2		100%
Mathematics	64	2	10	18	47%	18	75%	8	5	95%
Media Film & TV Studies	13		2	5	54%	4	85%	2		100%
Physics	10	2	1	1	40%	1	50%	3		80%
Politics	37		5	19	65%	11	95%	1	1	100%
Polish	1		1		100%		100%			100%
Portuguese	1		1		100%		100%			100%
Psychology	71	3	9	36	68%	14	87%	8	1	100%
Religious Studies	26	3	4	11	69%	6	92%	2		100%
Sociology	68	16	20	24	88%	7	99%		1	100%
Spanish	4				0%	4	100%			100%
	<b>586</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>99%</b>
		5%	18%	37%		24%		11%	4%	



## AS Level Qualifications Awarded 2023

Those aged 16 or 17 on 31.08.2023

	Entries	A	B	A-B%	C	A-C%	D	E	A-E%
Biology	32	3	7	31%	6	50%	12	1	91%
Business Studies	45	4	10	31%	12	58%	11	4	91%
Chemistry	32	3	2	16%	8	41%	8	6	84%
Computer Studies	3	1	1	67%	1	100%			100%
Economics	42	15	11	62%	10	86%	5	1	100%
English Literature	44	10	8	41%	12	68%	7	7	100%
French	5		2	40%	2	80%	1		100%
Geography	14	4	2	43%	5	79%	3		100%
German	5	2		40%	2	80%	1		100%
History	27	10	10	74%	6	96%	1		100%
Mathematics	72	15	17	44%	15	65%	17	4	94%
Further Maths	6	3	1	67%	1	83%		1	100%
Physics	7	1	1	29%	2	57%	3		100%
Politics	33	2	12	42%	3	52%	7	5	88%
Psychology	75	22	23	60%	16	81%	9	5	100%
Religious Studies	18	6	9	83%	3	100%			100%
Sociology	40	21	12	83%	5	95%	2		100%
	<b>500</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>96%</b>



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## Enrichment

At St Angela's Sixth Form we encourage all students to become part of our community and join in the many opportunities offered. As well as sporting activities, we are keen for students to enhance their cultural literacy. All students are involved in community action activities.

### STUDENT LEADERSHIP

The Student Senior Leadership Team (SSLT) represents the views of students in the sixth form and meets regularly with senior members of staff. The SSLT, including the Head Girl and Head Boy, works collaboratively with all stakeholders to improve the experience for students in the sixth form.

The SSLT is supported by students in Year 12 who are invited to apply for a variety of junior leadership positions. The student leaders work together closely to create opportunities for building school spirit and to promote respect and tolerance. The student leaders represent our diverse community and work hard to ensure that all members of the sixth form feel valued.

There are also many other opportunities for all students to develop their leadership skills, even if you don't take on a position of responsibility. All students are supported and encouraged to develop their interpersonal skills, presentation skills, teamwork and collaboration, time management, organisation, and decision-making skills

### COMMUNITY ACTION

Notable successes in the past academic year included raising over £1,000 for charities through various fundraising initiatives. The student leaders organised culture themed days, a talent show, a quiz, and a lunchtime cookery competition. Students in the sixth form have also helped to plan charity-focused assemblies and supported other whole school events. The students in the sixth form understand their responsibilities as global citizens, which is very much part of our school's culture and heritage. St Angela's is part of a global network representing more than 150 Ursuline schools throughout the world, all founded on the principles of St Angela Merici. There are Ursuline schools in Europe, Asia, Africa, North America and South America.



## TRIPS AND ENRICHMENT

Throughout the academic year, there are a wide variety of trips and other enrichment opportunities to support the students' academic and personal growth. Last year, students took part in a debating competition at the FCDO (Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office), the Cambridge Higher Aspirations Scheme, Future Leaders, and many other subject-specific activities and events.

All students are supported to identify relevant super-curricular opportunities that will help them to make a competitive university application. Participating in activities that are academically relevant will help students to develop key subject specific skills and knowledge, and shows their ability to study independently and manage their time. It also provides evidence for university admissions tutors that students are passionate about their subject and motivated to study it.

## EXAMPLES OF TRIPS AND EVENTS

D of E Bronze and Silver Expedition	A-Level Drama - Technical Theatre Insight Workshop
Niall Ferguson Lecture	London Youth Games netball umpires
Art Epping Forest	Small Island Theatre Trip
Walton-on-the-Naze	Theatre trip - Music KS5
Supreme Court	Money Wise Challenge
St Pauls/Westminster Cathedral	UCL /icanyoucantoo - Yr 12 visit
Queen Mary University	LSO Schools Concert
National Theatre New Views	National Theatre Trip - The Father and the Assassin
Bavarian Village Christmas Market	Year 12 Psychology Trip - Oxford University
A-Level Drama - A CURIOUS INCIDENT	Credit Suisse
Gonville and Caius College	New College visit
Parallel Mothers screening	Houses of Parliament
BFI educational visit	Year 12 University of Essex Trip
A Level Drama - A Number	



## Aim Higher

### CAREERS EDUCATION INFORMATION ADVICE AND GUIDANCE (CEIAG)

In order to prepare students for progression to Higher Education or apprenticeship pathways, we have a detailed programme of events for every student. Through our 'Routes to Success' Programme we provide customised enrichment activities including: university visits, degree subject talks, employer mentoring, work experience and careers talks from leading employers and past alumni. We have a comprehensive programme for application to leading universities and competitive courses, including Oxford, Cambridge, Medicine and Dentistry. The Sixth Form regularly sends students to study at the top universities and has excellent links with all the London universities together with partnerships with universities in and beyond London.

### CAREERS GUIDANCE

The School Careers Adviser offers career guidance appointments helping students explore their career ideas and choose a pathway for after Sixth Form. This includes guidance on choice of degree subject, which universities to apply for or support applying for apprenticeships. In addition we put students in touch with volunteering and personal development opportunities. The careers team regularly supports students by giving feedback on application forms and providing mock interviews.

### STUDENT FINANCE

Throughout the two years in Sixth Form, students and parents are supported with the university finance process. As well as sessions from Finance England, we have numerous London universities coming in over the two years to discuss finance issues. In addition, we have drop-in sessions where Sixth Form students can discuss finance issues with specialists both in school and from the universities.



## University Links

### LONDON UNIVERSITY LINKS

We have partnerships with Queen Mary University of London, University of East London, London School of Economics, King's College London, Imperial, Greenwich, City, Westminster, University College London, London College of Fashion and University of the Arts.

### EXTERNAL UNIVERSITY LINKS

Currently, we have many students choosing to study outside London, which is partly due to the links we have nurtured with universities outside London, in particular - University of Leicester, Newcastle University and University of Essex. Our students regularly attend specially tailored days at leading universities. We are also developing links with the University of Manchester.

### OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE APPLICATIONS SUPPORT

Through our links with various colleges, students are provided with support along every step of the way in applying to Oxford or Cambridge. We also organise information evenings for parents so that parents understand what is required of the students applying to the most competitive universities.

### REALISING OPPORTUNITIES WITH RUSSELL GROUP UNIVERSITIES

This programme links our Year 12 students with undergraduate mentors who are studying subjects that our students aspire to read at Russell Group Universities. Students also complete an academic assignment. As a result our students qualify for reduced UCAS offers (2 grades lower) at 16 of the leading Russell Group Universities.

*“This project really helped me get my place at Warwick University,  
I couldn't have done it without RO”  
St Angela's Realising Opportunities Student*



## Employer Links

### BARTS HEALTH NHS TRUST – HEALTHCARE HORIZONS COMPACT PROJECT

We work closely with the Healthcare Horizons team at Bart's Health NHS Trust to set up one week clinical hospital work experience placements for our medical school and nursing degree applicants. We set up 10 placements each academic year at The Royal London Hospital, Newham University Hospital, Barts, Queens Hospital Romford and Whipps Cross via this compact agreement. Students also benefit from The Barts Mentorship to Health Programme and attend Insight to Medicine events.

### STUDENT ASSISTED MEDICAL + DENTAL APPLICANTS (SAMDA) VOLUNTEERING

A team of medicine undergraduates from Barts and the Royal London Hospitals run a programme with our 6th formers which helps students who are aspiring to study Medicine / Dentistry. They provide advice to our students with their Medical/Dental applications.

### IN2 SCIENCE RESEARCH WORK EXPERIENCE

Examples of last summer's placements included research institutes at Cambridge, UCL and Kings and with employers such as Dyson or Oxford BioMedical.

### ROYAL BANK OF CANADA RBC ACADEMY WORKSHOPS & EXCLUSIVE BURSARIES

The Royal Bank of Canada supports our 6th Form by delivering a programme of in school workshops to our Economics, Business and Maths students, including interviews with RBC executives and traders to support students who are interested in working in a banking environment. Students who are part of the scheme are able to apply for bursary internships with the Royal Bank of Canada worth £2,500 for each year at university and 21 weeks of paid work experience. Each year 4 to 5 of our sixth form students secure the bursaries exclusive to only 3 schools including St Angela's. As a result of this special partnership we have an alumni network of former students now working for RBC.

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## Employer Links

We have many links with a wide variety of companies and employers that enable our students to experience different careers. This changes annually although we have long standing relationships with:

### SEO LONDON

SEO work with corporate employers from finance and law to IT, technology + engineering to help G + T students from state schools secure work experience opportunities with partner companies. Recent placements for our Year 12 have included Freshfields for Law, Barclays for Banking and a placement in Basel Switzerland with Novartis Pharmaceuticals.

### CREATIVE MENTOR NETWORK | CREATIVE INDUSTRIES MENTORING

16 weeks project with advertising, design, film, music, marketing, journalism and social media employers. It includes fortnightly workplace or online meetings with a professional mentor. Our students contribute real ideas and work for these “cutting edge” companies.

### Examples of mentors / companies our students are linked to:

Carbon Academy Team – M&C Saatchi Advertising Agency

Senior Producer - Jamie Oliver Productions

Executive Film Producer – Passion Pictures

Chief Executive Officer – Belonging Talent Agency

Product Designer - Geckoboard TV Dashboard Agency

*“I linked to a mentor in a digital marketing agency. I find it useful for the career I want to go into. I really recommend it as an amazing opportunity for anyone wanting to explore a creative industry”*

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### FUTURES EAST LONDON CAREERS PROJECT MOCK INTERVIEWS WITH CLIFFORD CHANCE LAW FIRM

Via Through Futures East London Careers Cluster Year 12s had a zoom practice job interview with an executive or lawyer from top law firm Clifford Chance. This included written personalised feedback for each student on how to improve interview skills.

### TROWERS AND HAMLINS LAW FIRM

For the last eight years, students from our Sixth Form have been part of the ‘Prime’ initiative, which is a one week work experience at the law firm. Students have been successful in the Trowers and Hamblins sponsorship programme which has included summer vacation work experience and a bursary of £5000 per year whilst at University.

*“The week I spent at Trowers & Hamblins was one of my favourite legal work experiences. It expanded my knowledge of real estate law (the firm’s major practice area) and helped me acquire skills in networking through interactions with lawyers and fellow students. The firm delivered CV and UCAS workshops which was very helpful and all lawyers and speakers were very relaxed and welcoming.”*

### FURTHER EXAMPLES OF WORK EXPERIENCE

In addition to the excellent employer links above, examples of recent placements include Microsoft, Hogan Lovells Law firm, 12 Kings Bench Barristers Chambers and Nuffield Foundation Science research placements.



## ORGANISATIONS WE WORK WITH AND VISIT

- Jack Petchey
- National Film Theatre
- BFI Library
- London Hospital
- Jodrell Bank Observatory
- South Bank Centre
- Institute of Civil Engineers
- The Houses of Parliament
- London Metals Exchange
- Black Lawyers Directory
- Debate Mate
- McKinsey
- Arcadia
- Barts
- Sutton Trust
- RBC
- Credit Suisse
- British Museum

## UNIVERSITIES THAT WE WORK WITH

- City University
- Queen Mary' University
- Central St Martin's
- Central School of Speech & Drama
- St Mary's
- London College of Contemporary Fashion
- The Royal Academy of Music
- Greenwich
- London Met
- Trinity Laban
- London Contemporary Dance
- King's College London
- Barts and Royal London
- Imperial University
- SOAS
- UCL
- Leicester University
- University of Manchester

## SUMMER SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

- City Medicine
- City Nursing
- Chrysalis
- Holts Academy
- London Metropolitan
- University of London Taster Days
- Liverpool Hope
- Ravensbourne
- SOAS Language
- Sutton Trust US Summer Schools
- Surrey Science and Engineering
- Queen Mary Engineering
- UCL History
- Warwick Medicine
- Florida State
- Deloitte

## St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form Progression

Excellent  
Qualification  
Results

61% of all grades at  
A\* - B

84% of all grades at  
A\* - C

94% of students  
progressed  
to Higher Education

Kenny A\* A A  
Queen Mary  
University of London

Michelle A\* A\* A\*  
University of York



Stephanie A\* A A  
University of Kent

Deborah A\* A\* A  
University of Warwick

Dawad A\* A\* A  
Imperial College London

Eunice A\* A A  
Queen Mary  
University of London

Zahia A\* A A  
UCL (University  
College London)

Olivia A\* A A  
University of Kent

Total number of Year 13 students: 195 | Percentage who went on to Higher Education 93% | Apprenticeship 1% | Gap Year 3% | Employment 1%



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