

Prospectus 2025-26

Guildhouse School creates change makers

We provide an education environment where ideas are free to incubate and empower students to positively change the world.



Intuition Aim high

Confidence in making correct decisions and judgements is the key to becoming a successful leader and changing the world for the better



Creativity Work hard

Being able to solve a problem or seeing something in a completely new way, are the most valuable skills for those who want to achieve

Where change makers are made





Impact Be kind

Understanding and emotional intelligence are key to shaping the conversation and becoming an effective change maker

Guildhouse School is a boarding school in Central London for ages 15+ that provides an immersive environment for ideas and creativity, where students are empowered to make a positive impact on our world.

6

IRST SCH

WITH A

BLOOMBERG BUSINESS LAB

NEUROPE

42

Contents

Welcome to Guildhouse School Why Guildhouse School? Experience The World's Greatest City Entrepreneurial Spirit Bloomberg Business Lab Student Experience University Success Key Professions Programme A Global School in a Global City Boarding Premier House Activities An Impactful Education University Foundation Programme A Level Pre-A Level UAL Foundation Diploma in Art & Design Academic English Admissions



Welcome to Guildhouse School

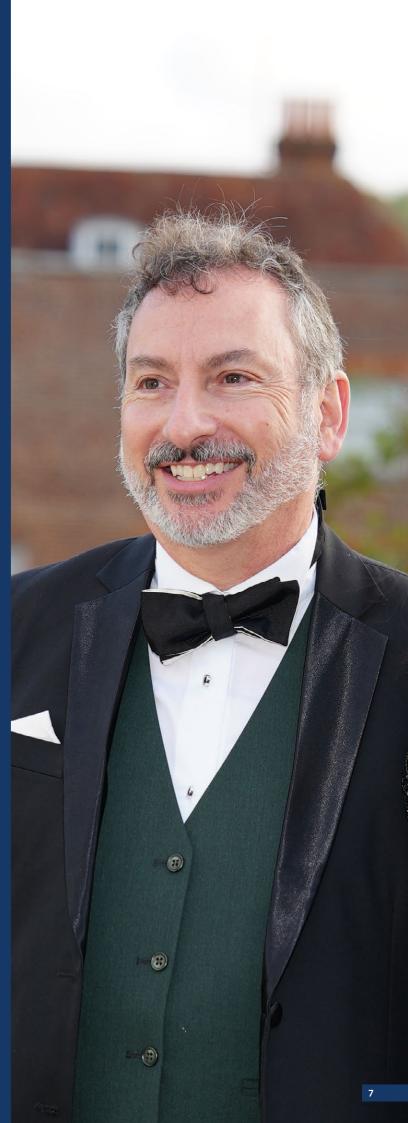
Throughout the centuries, City of London Guilds and Livery Companies have been synonymous with enterprise and enlightenment. At Guildhouse School, we mirror this, encouraging creative ideas to flourish and students to be empowered to pioneer.

We have spent more than 10 years perfecting our approach. Through our core values we build our students' confidence and decision-making capabilities by nurturing their intuition and creativity so they can problem solve, make an impact, and become effective change makers.

Being in the heart of London means we can draw on the world's most successful centre of commerce. We are proud to be the first high school in Europe with a Bloomberg Business Lab and actively encourage every student to develop an entrepreneurial spirit through our year-round programme of business inspired activities. Through taking the most dynamic qualities from business and creative industries, we offer an all-encompassing education that gives our students the skills and experience they would not normally receive until they are well into their university studies.

From our Bloomsbury Square campus, our students can experience London in a way that few other schools can offer. Through an encouraging environment where ideas are free to incubate, Guildhouse makes change makers. "All of us at Guildhouse School are committed to providing an exceptional education in financial trading and business, while fostering academic excellence and creating lasting memories in the heart of London to ensure our students are fully prepared for future success."

> **Dr lan Gross** Interim Executive Head, Guildhouse School



Why Guildhouse School?



The First Bloomberg Lab in a High School in Europe

As the first high school in Europe with a Bloomberg Lab, Guildhouse uniquely offers students the opportunity to gain practical insights into the business world and complete the prestigious Bloomberg Markets Concepts qualification.

Our commitment to taking the best teachings from the business world is shown in the success of our students with over 48% going on to study a business or economics related degree. We are the creators of the first University Foundation Programme in Financial Trading which introduces students to the dynamic world of modern commerce, and we also offer a range of extracurricular business activities which allow students to develop their skills and intuition.



A Pioneering Central London Boarding School

For over 10 years, Guildhouse has been educating students from Bloomsbury Square in central London. Built in the late 17th century, our campus comprises a row of impressive regency townhouses with all the style and flourish one would expect from historic Bloomsbury. Our classrooms overlook the famous Bloomsbury Square and with a short walk to Holborn Underground Station, we are perfectly placed to explore the city.

Our location not only gives our students access to all the attractions of the world's greatest city; our school is also surrounded by some of the world's most famous universities, businesses and the international financial centre of the world. King's College London and University College London are nearby; Barclays, KPMG and McKinsey have offices in London.

Inspiring Entrepreneurial Spirit

Our aim is to offer an educational experience that prepares future business leaders to be proactive and responsive in a fast-paced, evolving world.

With practical projects and workshops from business leaders, our students develop skills, insights and knowledge that is valuable in the business world. We introduce skills and ways of thinking that students would not normally encounter until their university studies. Our students gain the confidence to challenge norms and become change makers.



Experience The World's **Greatest** City

Studying in the UK capital is the ideal preparation for students keen to pursue an international career. There is little that can be said about London that has not been said before and its high concentration of cultural sites, rich history and 21st century trendsetting is bound to inspire!





A True World City London is the heart of world commerce, being the heart of global currency trading



Excellent Links As a global hub, students in London can access the entire globe



University Excellence Home to three of the world's top 40 universities



Attracting talent £500 million of research income attracts top talent

Live Your Best Life

Although London is a huge city, students are always close to beautiful green spaces. There are eight Royal Parks where students can enjoy music festivals, relax with a picnic or watch the local herds of deer. The city also has a number of amazing outdoor spaces like the Royal Botanic Gardens.

Amazing Shopping

London's shopping will give students plenty to explore. Unique independent boutiques sit alongside major high street brands and exclusive designer labels. Students have opportunities to visit iconic stories such as Harrods and Selfridges and traditional London markets, selling gifts, locally source food and books.

Sporting Greats

Some of the world's biggest sporting events are hosted in London and the city is home to seven Premier League Football Teams. Students can watch a football match at Wembley Stadium, see cricket played at Lord's or spectate a tennis grand slam at Wimbledon. Students can join school sports activities, including football and basketball, as well as accessing the sporting facilities in the city.

Entrepreneurial Spirit

Redefining what a school can be

We aim to redefine what education can offer tomorrow's highfliers. The environment we have developed goes beyond the classroom to give students an introduction to the fast-moving world of adulthood that they will inherit.

Business-inspired education

By developing the most soughtafter skills from the world of business, we instil in our students the confidence to challenge the norms and become the change makers of tomorrow. We want to ensure that our students understand what they can achieve and introduce them to skills and ways of thinking that they would not normally encounter until well into their university studies.

Business masterclasses

Learn about different aspects of commerce and what it is like to work in a range of professions through masterclasses delivered by professionals, business leaders and entrepreneurs - either on campus or at business in London. Recent masterclass examples including talks from tech startups, visits to the Bank of England, workshops from the Institute of Chartered Accountants and a seminar from leading education charity, United World Schools.





GUILDHOUSE SCHOOL



Bloomberg Business Lab

Guildhouse School is home to the first Bloomberg Lab in a high school in Europe

All our students have access to the Bloomberg Terminals and are encouraged to take the Bloomberg Market Concepts (BMC) Qualification, which offers students an unparalleled introduction to financial markets that they would not normally receive until studying at university.



Every Guildhouse student, irrespective of programme or subjects, will have the opportunity to earn the BMC qualification.



Over 250 Guildhouse students have achieved the BMC qualification.

48% of students go on to a business or business or economics related degree.



Get Bloomberg Certified

Every student at Guildhouse School has access to Bloomberg Market Concepts (BMC), a self-paced e-learning course that provides an interactive introduction to the financial markets and features over 70 Bloomberg Terminal functions.



Search **Guildhouse School Bloomberg Lab** to discover more

The Competitive Edge

Boosts students' competitiveness for university and the job market by developing hands-on knowledge and real-world experience that most students do not gain until postgraduate study.

Gain technical understanding

Students are introduced to the techniques employed by traders and investors to maximise returns through simulated trading and investment projects.

Develop Analytical Skills

Deepen research and classwork, while learning how to analyse financial markets, assess economic scenarios and interpret the key news developments that impact the global economy.

Applicable knowledge

Each year we run business activities including our Incubator Challenge where students can apply the knowledge they gain from the Bloomberg Lab and shine.



"Guildhouse students have exclusive access to Bloomberg Terminals where they make decisions based on real life live data and analyse the results, giving them much needed transferable skills that can be applied in real world situations."

> **Carmel O'Dolan** Head Teacher, Guildhouse School





Personal Development Curriculum

Key areas covered include

- Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) • - the development of skills and knowledge not necessarily associated with a curriculum subject or discipline.
- Being a 'global citizen' developing informed opinions on the current global events.
- Respecting equality and diversity appreciating differences and understanding that prejudice and discrimination are unacceptable with culture sharing presentations led by students.
- Preparing for independence and responsibility in readiness for adulthood.
- Understanding how to assess risk and make good decisions.
- Focusing on independent study and learning skills.



Guildhouse School Student

Experience to discover more

Subject Support

Immersive English

All school life is conducted in English, giving every student the opportunity to master the language in both academic and social settings. Our immersive education style nurtures every student to build knowledge, become resilient and achieve the best outcomes in life.

Student Experience

Student life at Guildhouse School

At Guildhouse School we are committed to creating a safe, inclusive and supportive education environment. We understand that studying in the UK may be a very different experience for international students and over our history have created a school that allows students to flourish.

What Students can expect at **Guildhouse School**

Students engage with their teachers to assess their progress and if extra subject specific support is needed additional sessions outside of usual lesson times in one-to-one or small groups can be made available.

Additional Learning Support

Students are encouraged to highlight any additional learning challenges they may have. Our teachers also monitor for indicators of any challenges a student may have in their own learning.

Supportive Staff

Our academic staff team and residential House Parents are always on hand to provide the highest standard of safety and pastoral care and help students settle into the school by creating a caring and comfortable home.

University Success

Achieving the best academic outcomes

At Guildhouse School, we understand that attending a top UK university is a dream for many young people. To give our students the best advantage when applying to university, we have developed an enhanced package of application support that ensures students are fully prepared for admissions interviews, including producing the best personal statement and helping them feel confident in their application.

22 out of 24 We've sent students to 22 out of

the 24 Russel Group Universities*



agreements with UK universities

University Visits

Universities from around the world visit Guildhouse School throughout the year to present their course offerings and give students the chance to ask any questions they might have.

Open Days

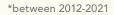
It is important that students know as much as possible about the universities they are applying to. We support students to attend open days so they can get the best insight into their chosen university and decide if they feel that it is the right destination for them.

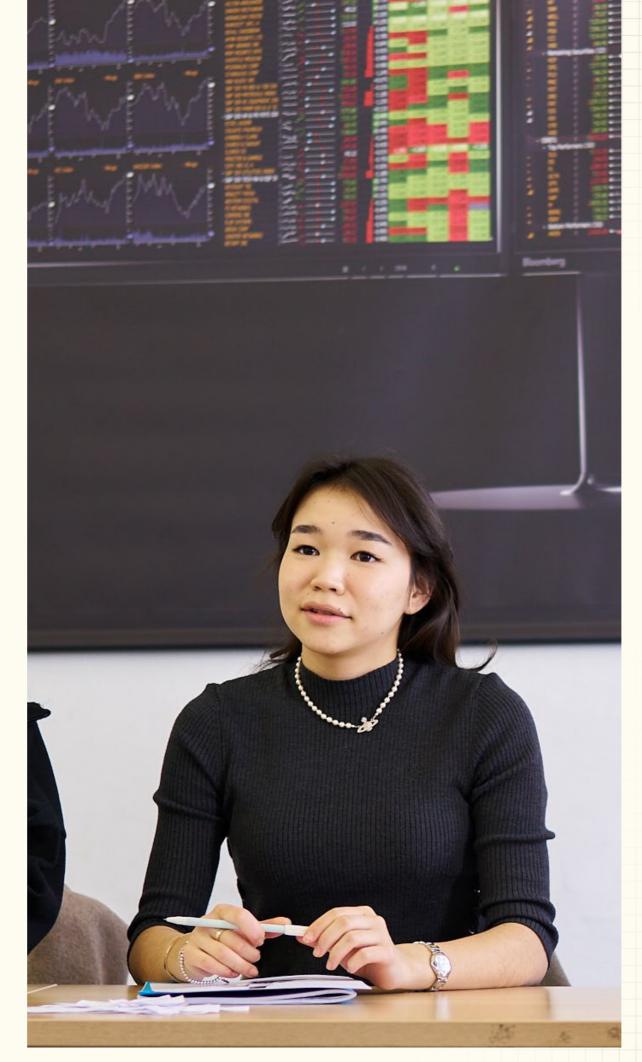
Personal Statement

Personal Tutors (PTs) have extensive experience of university admissions and know what will make a student's application stand out. PTs dedicate time to getting to know each student and their interests to ensure their personal statement is the best reflection of them as an individual.



Search **Guildhouse School University Success** to discover more





F S C a s S W

University Progression Team

Higher Education Counsellors

Students are allocated a specific Higher Education Counsellor (HEC) who works with them to ensure their applications are completed to the highest possible standard and correctly submitted. The Guildhouse School HECs organise higher education lessons and workshops, organise external speakers and university visits, and oversee the university application process.

"My proudest moment is always results day – when you see students fulfil their goals and move onto the next step in their educational journey!"

> Christopher Cernuschi Deputy Headteacher

Key Professions Programme

For students wishing to pursue a degree in a competitive field such as law, finance, medicine, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM), or apply to Oxbridge we offer additional tailored support:

Local Lectures - we encourage students to attend lectures at London's universities and other institutions.

Work Experience and volunteering is beneficial to candidates for any degree course as it demonstrates the student's willingness and ability to contribute beyond the school.

University exam preparation- we offer support with specialist classes for UKCAT, LNAT and Oxbridge admissions exams.

Practice Interviews including the multi-mini interview (MMI) format used for medical interviews, to prepare for university selection processes.

Links with external organisations - we have strong links with a range of successful London businesses, allowing students to learn outside the classroom and connect with industry professionals.



Guildhouse School students have access to our exclusive University Fair which is attended by universities including the University of Cambridge, the London School of Economics, Imperial College of London, as well as world-leading US and Canadian universities. This event gives students a valuable opportunity to talk directly to university admissions teams about their degree programmes, campuses, and specific entry criteria.

A Global School in a Global City

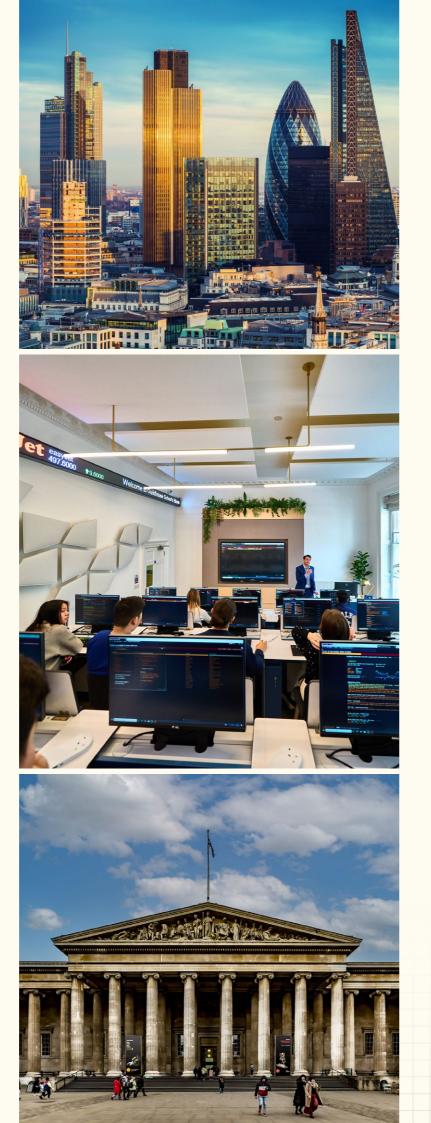
Guildhouse School campus is in the centre of the exclusive Bloomsbury area - the heart of academic and literary London. From our central location, students become immersed in London's enterprising culture which celebrates and rewards high achievers.

Built in the late 17th century, our campus comprises a row of impressive regency townhouses with all the style and flourish one would expect. Our classrooms overlook the famous Bloomsbury Square and with a short walk to Holborn Tube Station, we are perfectly placed to explore the city.

London's famous museums are all nearby. Students can admire Van Gogh in the National Gallery, marvel at Stevenson's Rocket in the Science Museum and visit Egyptian mummies in the British Museum.



Search Guildhouse School Campus to discover more







Great Location The school is located one minute from Holborn underground station and a 10-minute walk from Oxford Street.



Inspection results UK government inspectors confirm all pastoral and academic regulations met with praise for the School's welcoming community.

GUILDHOUSE SCHOOL



Safe campus Guildhouse School is located in the exclusive Bloomsbury Square. Here students can enjoy the history of this peaceful park which dates back to the 17th century.



Business focus The only secondary school in Europe with a

Bloomberg Business Lab.

Boarding

Our boarding house is located just five minutes from the school, meaning students can study and live in the heart of the action.

Dining

Breakfast and lunch are served on campus for catered students, cooked by our on-site chefs. Recent menu items include: chicken curry, roast beef with Yorkshire Pudding and stir fried noodles. The evening school meal is delivered to our boarding house.

Premium accommodation

You can take advantage of more space to study and relax with our premium accommodation option. You will benefit from a larger area to live and work; with additional storage space.



Single and shared rooms with private en-suite bathrooms







House Parents, together with 24-hour security



Full catering offered to all boarders



Walking distance of Oxford Street



Laundry facilities available on-site



Monitored Wireless internet access



Cleaning service provided





GUILDHOUSE SCHOOL





Supportive House Parents

We pride ourselves on our happy school community. Our team of live-in House Parents are always on hand to provide the highest standard of safety and pastoral care and help students settle into their residences by creating a caring and comfortable home. House Parents also make teachers aware of issues that happen outside the classroom such as homesickness or trouble with homework so every student is fully supported. Students have daily set study times in our boarding accommodation, which support their time management and independent study skills. Students have the freedom to explore and enjoy London within clear boundaries in a safe, supportive setting.

Premier House

Centrally located and close to school, Premier House has over 130 beds in both single and shared en-suite bedrooms. Shared social and common room spaces offer all our students a homefrom-home feel. Live-in House Parents are available 24 hours a day onsite offering the highest standard of care and welfare. For added security the building is monitored with CCTV cameras.

This fabulous boarding house is situated only seven minutes walk from the school and right in the heart of the Bloomsbury area of Central London. Bloomsbury is widely recognised as a village-style residential area, close to the University of London core campus as well as many other academic buildings, including the world-renowned British Museum. Both Holborn and Russell Square Underground stations are very close.



Search Guildhouse School Boarding to discover more







Activities

We aim to provide activities that enrich the student experience and that support our mission of creating tomorrow's change makers. We place great emphasis on activities that make the best of our location in Central London and that empower our students to think for themselves, broaden their horizons and become effective problem solvers.

Electives

Electives are how we describe our extracurricular clubs and activities that students choose to participate in.

Academic

- Science Olympiads
- Maths Club •
- Business Enterprise/ Challenge
- Second Foreign Language •
- EPQ
- Oxbridge Preparation •
- Medic Preparation ٠
- High achievers •
- Astrophysics/Astronomy ٠

Student Leadership

- Student council •
- Prefect •
- **Boarding Council** •
- Community, charity and • Fundraising Events
- Model United Nations

Ĩ Enrichment and Challenge

- Mental Health Champions
- Debating Society • • Public Speaking/Spoken
- Word
- Incubator Challenge
- Trading Club
- Film Society
- Environmental
- Chess & Board games

800 Arts and Music

- Art Club
- Music Club •
- Photography
- History of Art •
- Learn the guitar •

Sports

- Basketball •
- Volleyball •
- Football
- Swimming •
- Badminton

This is an example of the activities provision offered at Guildhouse School Activities are subject to availability and may change year on year





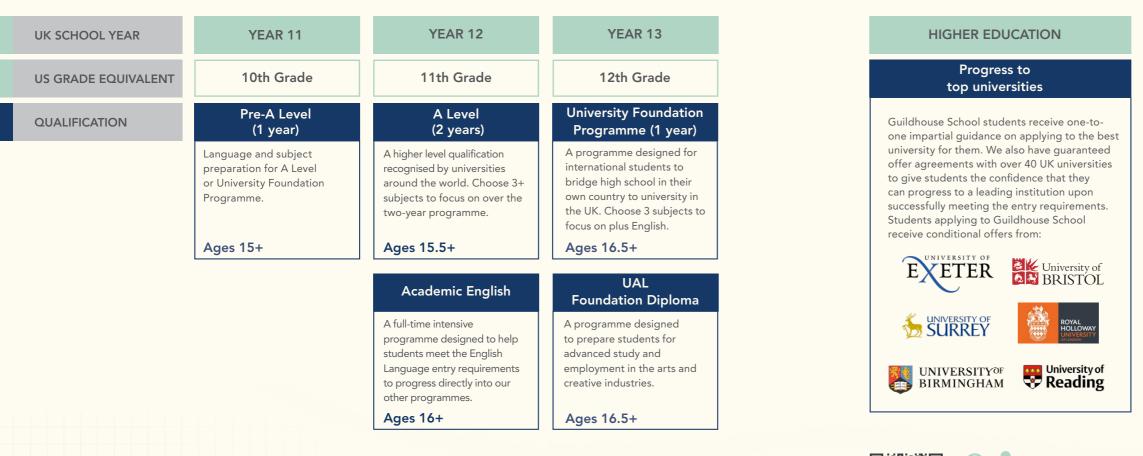


Trips and Visits



An Impactful Education

We empower every student to achieve their best academic outcome. Our range of internationally recognised qualifications has been developed to give students opportunities that suit their individual needs and aspirations and reach their university goals.





Search Guildhouse School University Partnership to see our full list of university partnerships



University Foundation Programme

Designed specifically for high achieving international students, the University Foundation Programme (UFP) acts as a bridge from students' high school education in their own country to university in the UK.

At Guildhouse School we offer UFP starting in September.

We have a progression agreement with over 40 **UK universities**

95%

of Russell Group universities which accept our University Foundation Programme have accepted our students.

Overview

The UFP recognises the specific academic challenges that International students face and uses assessment strategies that offer the best opportunities to demonstrate a student's academic level and potential. Students each choose three academic subjects with exams at the end of the qualification. In addition, all students attend English classes designed to develop their English skills for university.

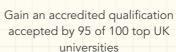
Final UFP grades are determined by exams as well as a significant amount of coursework which simulates the structure of most UK university courses. Students are offered iGCSE Maths to meet university entry requirements if not taking Maths as a UFP subject.

Choosing a subject combination is important as universities look for students that have good grades in the right subjects. We work intensively with each student choose the best combination to help achieve their university and career aspirations.



Search Guildhouse School **UFP** to discover more about the course, subject choices and student experience.











Improved English language fluency and proficiency

high quality facilities and fantastic opportunities."

Key Facts

Age 16.5+ (September start)

Entry requirements At least 11 years of schooling and a good school record

Language requirements September start: IELTS 4.5+ or equivalent

Average class size 11

Hours per week

22+

Course duration 3 terms (September start)

Parsa from Iran completed UFP at Guildhouse School, achieving A*A*A* in Economics, Financial Trading and Mathematics. He obtained a place to study Discrete Mathematics at the

UK or international university

Develop the foundation knowledge needed to study a specific subject at undergraduate level



Develop skills needed to succeed at university with a focus on improved capacity to learn with confidence and independence



Experience life at a London boarding school and prepare for study at a UK university

A Level

A Levels are the classic British path into higher education and offer an excellent route to study at high ranking UK universities. A Levels are a highly regarded qualification and can open the widest choice of UK universities. At Guildhouse School students can join Year 12 in both September and January to study for the A Level qualification.

Overview

A Levels are a focussed qualification of three subjects and English studied over two years, with examinations in the second year. Students are offered iGCSE Maths to meet university entry requirements if not taking Maths as a UFP subject.

At Guildhouse School our A Level delivery is specifically designed for motivated international students, with additional English language support to help them excel in their studies. We offer a wide range of subjects and work with each student to choose the best subject combinations to achieve their university goals.

of the top 30 UK universities have accepted our A Level students*

88.5% of all grades awarded were

A*-C in 2024

*over the last ten years *The Times Good University Guide 2023



A Level qualification in a wide choice of subjects, including Sciences, Humanities, and the Arts



Develop desirable study skills, such as critical thinking, essay/report writing and solution-based thinking



Unlock progressing to a UK or international university



Get exposure to the style of assessment and teaching in the UK







Key Facts

Age 15.5 +

Entry requirements At least 10 years of schooling and a good school record

Language requirements IELTS 4.5+ or equivalent

Average class size 11

Hours per week 22+

Course duration 6 terms (September start 5 terms (January start)





Search Guildhouse A Level to discover more about the course, subject choices and student experience.

"The love and enthusiasm that my teachers had for their subjects reflected on me and I gained a lot more love and passion for them too. I really appreciate their hard work and everything they've done for me."

Leila from Kazakhstan completed A Levels at Guildhouse School. She achieved AAA in Maths, Biology and Chemistry. She progressed to read Cancer Science at the University of Nottingham.



Complete challenging research and homework tasks



Prepare for an English qualification recognised by UK and international universities.

Pre-A Level

Pre-A Level is designed as an introduction to the UK Further Education system and follows a similar approach to GCSE, but with a duration of one year or less. Students experience a wide range of subjects which prepares them to progress to study A Level, although this programme is also suitable for students wishing to progress to study UFP if they are of the appropriate age.

Pre-A Level offers students the opportunity to improve their English prior to moving to more advanced study and students should expect to take external exams in English and Maths. At Guildhouse School, we offer both September and January starting points for Pre-A Level.

Key Facts

Age 15+

Entry requirements At least 9 years of schooling and a

good school record

Language requirements IELTS 4.0+ or equivalent

Average class size

Hours per week 25+

Course duration

3 terms (September start) 2 terms (January start)

"This is a school with a Bloomberg Lab and it really aligns with what I want to do in the future."

Morola from Nigeria completed UFP at Guildhouse School, achieving A*A*A* in Business, Economics and Mathematics. She obtained a place to study International Business, Finance and Economics at the University of Manchester.



Search **Guildhouse Pre-A Level** to discover more about the course.

GUILDHOUSE SCHOOL



Prepare for further study in the UK educational system



Improve subject knowledge for university preparation programmes



Develop English fluency and proficiency ready for university preparation programmes



Enhance study skills required to excel in a chosen university preparation programme



Build personal confidence and independence



Improve collaborative skills



UAL Foundation Diploma in Art & Design

The UAL Foundation Diplomas provide a foundational arts education that opens doors to specialists arts degrees and employment in the creative industries. CSVPA London delivers the UAL Foundation Diploma in studios, equipped with Mac computers, design tables and gallery spaces at the Guildhouse School. Students have a dedicated desk that they can use to study and create within the studio space.

Visual Communication, Advertising, Art Direction and Branding

This course introduces the fundamentals of visual communication and graphic design, including typography, composition and colour. Students are taught the knowledge and skills to become persuasive visual communicators.

Film, Moving Image and Animation

This course teaches both handmade and digital processes used to create moving image. Students cover all elements of film and animation production.



Search Guildhouse School UAL Foundation Diploma to discover more





We provide access to all the Adobe software (Photoshop, InDesign, Premiere Pro, After Effects, and more) and free colour printing.



The UAL Level 3 Foundation Diplomas in Art and Design are included in the UCAS tariff and attracts tariff points for each final grade as shown below:

Pass 80 – Merit 96 – Distinction 112

Key Facts

Age 17+

Entry requirements

Successful completion of High School (year 11 or year 12 depending on the native country) is needed or $1 \times A$ Level at grade E or above and $5 \times GCSEs$ at grade 4 or C or equivalent, preferably in a relevant creative subject.

Students must submit a portfolio of their recent work.

Students who do not meet these entry requirements will still be considered on their own individual potential to succeed subject to an interview.

Language requirements IELTS 4.5+ (no element under 4.0)

Course duration 3 Terms (September start)

"The teachers here at Guildhouse School are amazing, and they always are very supportive and always elping out, even during the lesson and also after class."

Brendon from Albania completed UFP at Guildhouse School, achieving A* in Business, A in Art and B in Economics. He obtained a place to study Architecture at Kingston University.





You will be actively supported through a hands-on approach and extensive contact time with your tutors.

Academic English

A full-time intensive programme designed to help students meet the English Language entry requirements to progress directly into our other programmes.

Overview

Our Academic English Programme helps students develop their English skills to excel in their chosen academic programme: A Level, or University Foundation Programme.

This programme is designed to be taken before an academic programme. Students partake in various areas of intensive English language study including Academic English, Essay construction, research and note taking along with several projects and assignments to improve their abilities.

Key Facts

Age 16+

Entry requirements

A school report that identifies English needs that can be met by this programme and describes a student who is willing to learn and develop

Language requirements

IELTS 3.5+ or equivalent

Average class size

6

Hours per week 25+

Course duration 2 or 3 terms

"The teachers were always extremely supportive and prepared me for university life."

Adis studied A Levels at Guildhouse School. He obtained a place to study Law at SOAS, University of London.



Search **Guildhouse School Academic English** to discover more





GUILDHOUSE SCHOOL



Prepares a student for further academic study in the UK



Prepare for tests like IELTS to be able to take the government approved IELTS for UKVI



An introduction to the vocabulary required for the student's chosen academic programme



Learn about the following subjects in English: Maths; Business; History; and the Sciences



Improved accuracy and fluency when using English



Improves a student's confidence



Admissions

Please use our online application form to make an application to Guildhouse School.

Applying online is quick and easy and is the fastest way for our admissions team to process your application.

All current fees and dates are available on our website. https://www.guildhouseschool.com/apply-online/



Search Guildhouse School Admissions, our fees, dates, scholarships and how to apply

43

Contact our Admissions Team

+44 (0) 1223 341 300 admissions@guildhouseschool.com

Guildhouse School 43-45 Bloomsbury Square London WC1A 2RA

www.guildhouseschool.com

