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COLLEGIATE
SIXTH FORM
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**CITY OF LONDON
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A WARM WELCOME FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, PRINCE GENNUH

I would like to welcome you to consider Islington Collegiate Sixth Form (ICS) for your post-16 education. As the pioneer Principal, I am really excited to be working collaboratively with NCS to provide a highly academic Sixth Form to serve students from the Islington community and beyond. We aim to provide a world class education underpinned by high expectations, a rigorous curriculum, and opportunities for students to extend their learning beyond the classroom.



Our state of the art Sixth Form centre will provide all the necessary amenities needed to make your post-16 education an enjoyable one. We will provide a scholastic climate and, together with our highly-skilled teachers, the support structures from NCS, and sponsorship from the City of London Corporation, you will aim to access some of the most prestigious academic destinations in the world, including Oxbridge and Ivy League universities. You will have access to a combination of a super curricular offer and unparalleled advice from a range of professionals and counsellors. This will give you the opportunity to broaden your horizons, and develop the indispensable soft competencies required to thrive in our contemporary world.

I look forward to seeing your application and welcoming you to our school.

Prince Genuh
Principal

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OUR COLLEGIATE SIXTH FORM OFFER

The City of London Academies Trust runs five school sixth forms across Islington and Hackney. Each school has a different course offer and approach which may be of interest to prospective applicants.

Students from all City of London academies will be expected to apply to their own school but also to consider applications to one of the other schools in the collegiate group. The schools and the sixth form courses they offer are outlined on the facing page.

For more information about each school sixth form, their entry requirements and how to apply for a place, please visit their website or contact the school directly.

Mark Emmerson, CEO
City of London Academies Trust



THE CITY OF LONDON EXPERIENCE AT ICS

At Islington Collegiate Sixth Form (ICS), we want to provide students in the heart of Islington and beyond with a first-class education so that students can access the very best destinations for university and employment.

We are committed to empowering students to achieve their personal goals through our bespoke Sixth Form experience. By selecting ICS, you will be joining the CoLAT community which combines the heritage and tradition of the Corporation of London with an innovative and enterprising approach to education.

Why Join the ICS Movement?

- We work in partnership with the Newham Collegiate Sixth Form (NCS), an institution with a proven track record
- We offer a rich curriculum that mirrors the provision of leading independent schools
- We are forward-thinking; being a new Sixth Form we have the chance to re-think post-16 education



OUR MISSION, VISION AND VALUES

Our Mission:

To develop well-rounded, articulate young adults who are intellectually curious, committed to mastering their subjects and inspired to pursue their academic and non-academic goals.

Our Vision For ICS:

To inspire and lead students to achieve their highest goals, empowering each to gain personal success and to make positive contributions to local and global communities.

To create a Sixth Form that will exemplify 'Outstanding' secondary practice, evidenced by excellent attainment and progress for all students. Our students will:

- Achieve academic excellence through high expectations, aspirations, and a belief that all can succeed
- Enhance their creative and sporting competencies
- Demonstrate exemplary behaviour and a high sense of professionalism
- Develop their personal attributes through the everyday practice of the COLAHH 'ART' values
- Facilitate a democratic environment to enable the development of effective leadership

A.R.T. VALUES

Altruism: acting in a kind, selfless manner towards others

Respect: respect for yourself, your peers, members of staff, your family, and the community

Tenacity: showing resilience in your work at all times



OUR OFFER

At ICS, we believe that we are entering an era of monumental change, and preparing our students to embrace and navigate future challenges is our priority. With this in mind, our curriculum offer has been designed to provide opportunities for our students to learn, excel, specialise, develop, lead and thrive.

Learn:

In our pursuit to develop intellectually curious young adults that are committed to mastering their subjects, we promote a culture where challenging comfort zones is the norm.

To ensure the academic success of our students we provide:

- Inspired lessons delivered by teachers who are experts in their fields
- A stimulating learning environment with state of the art facilities, including newly refurbished science laboratories
- Technology for learning, where each student is provided with an electronic device
- Academic tracking to monitor subject-specific knowledge and skill gaps
- Small teaching group sizes
- A well-resourced Sixth Form Learning Resource Centre
- A designated Sixth Form study area that is available from 7am to 6pm for independent learning

As part of our university driven curriculum, students are expected to study four demanding A-level subjects in Year 12 from the list below. See our website for subject specific entry requirements:

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Economics
- English Literature
- Further Mathematics
- Geography
- History
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Psychology
- Sociology

EXCEL

In addition to offering high quality A-level teaching, ICS wants to stretch students beyond the taught curriculum so they can excel.

To promote lateral thinking and a scholarly environment, we:

Offer a super curriculum where we dedicate a timetabled period each week to preparing students for their next academic chapter (this includes university-style lectures, seminars and masterclasses, as well as study skill sessions).

Run residential programmes at leading universities to ensure aspirational students feel a sense of belonging when they attend such institutions.

Promote external competitions and encourage students to represent ICS in regional and national external competitions (such as the English-Speaking Union Public Speaking Competition, the Bar Mock Trial, Senior Physics Challenge).



SPECIALISE

At ICS, our priority is to prepare students for their future specialism by providing extensive industry specific support.

To expose our students to a wealth of experiences that are bespoke to their aims and ambitions, we offer the following:

A careers programme which includes:

- ICS Medical School
- ICS Finance School
- ICS Engineering School
- ICS Law School

An elite university preparation programme

All Year 12 students benefit from our higher education programme which provides a comprehensive programme of UCAS support. In addition to this, we offer a specialist:

Oxbridge Preparation Programme to support with admissions tests and interviews. We draw on the expertise of Oxbridge graduates.

Ivy League Preparation Programme to support with SAT preparation.

Bespoke work experience, internships and mentoring

As ICS is part of City of London Academies Trust, this further enhances the educational opportunities on offer. Through CoLAT we have a number of partnerships with employers who can assist students in preparing for the world of work in their chosen field. These partners can offer work experience, internships and mentoring opportunities. At ICS we make it our business to help young people get ahead, and as such, we draw on international expertise by running international trips exploring cutting edge research, technology and industry.



DEVELOP

At ICS, we want students to leave us with the experiences, skills and personal qualities required to succeed in university and beyond.

To aid personal development and inspire our young adults to pursue their non-academic goals, we aim to build social and cultural capital through our:

- **diverse enrichment programme** - every week students participate in a timetabled enrichment session of their choice. Our exact offer is determined by the interests of our students, but may include yoga, dance, driving theory preparation, cooking on a budget
- **extensive PSCHE programme** that incorporates workshops exploring current affairs
- **code breakers course**, offered in partnership with the NCS, to teach the hidden social and corporate codes of the workplace

LEAD

We have a Student Leadership Programme designed to develop the skills and traits needed for success beyond the school gates.

At ICS we know that our students can have a profound impact on our community so Sixth Form students have the chance to lead.

The Student Union

Societies

We encourage and support students to set up and run societies that could benefit others.

THRIVE

ICS has a dedicated pastoral team to monitor the welfare of our young people. We recognise that for individuals to thrive we must celebrate and embrace our individual differences to promote a sense of belonging.

At ICS, we are keen to run grassroots student-led societies as overseen by our culture and diversity officer. To draw attention to work/life balance and offer a supportive learning atmosphere, our wellbeing and mental-health officer coordinates half-termly wellbeing weeks.

HOW TO APPLY

If you want to be part of our cohort and create a legacy that sustains social mobility, complete our online application form.

Applications should be made online through the school website.

For more information, including our oversubscription criteria, please visit our website.

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