

STUDIO Candidate Pack

Two schools; One building; 100s of careers opportunities





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We live in exciting times – our great city of Liverpool is currently undergoing an amazing renaissance, with new jobs, investment and opportunities. We are delighted to be able to offer one of the most unique roles in UK education here at Life Sciences UTC and The Studio School. Our most recent Ofsted inspections have graded us as 'good' schools in all areas and outstanding in Personal Development, behaviour and wellbeing behaviour.

We are now in our ninth year and continue to grow both physically and in reputation. A unique culture and ethos is driven by our mantra that 'Every Day is an Interview' allowing for an extraordinary learning environment in which students and teachers flourish. The curriculum is driven by student's destinations and an extremely high standard of teaching and learning is matched by an extraordinary programme of project based learning, enrichment and work placements.

We believe that when joining our team as a student, parent, member of staff or a member of the local community, by embracing our values of innovation, aspiration, professionalism, respect and excellent achievement we will deliver outstanding educational outcomes for all. We believe it is our job to ensure that our students take pride in all they do and graduate from the UTC or Studio with the confidence to take on the competitive and ever-changing world around us.

If you have any questions, would like a conversation or if you wish to come and see the outstanding work happening across our academy please feel free to contact us.

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Aboutus

Liverpool Life Sciences UTC was the first science, engineering and health specialist school in the country opening in 2013.

The Studio, a creative and digital specialist school also opened in 2013.

Both schools are for 14-19 year olds, with students joining in Year 9, Year 10 and Year 12. The schools offers a range of GCSE, A level and BTEC qualifications to students alongside a truly unique offer of internships, project based learning and experiences.

The building is incredibly well resourced both in terms of facilities and staff. With industry standard computing and science labs, a mock hospital ward, arts spaces, cinema and even its own retro gaming lounge, and urban farm, there is genuinely no place quite like it in the country.





The Ignite Programme^{*} has been designed specifically for those students who are ready to join our school, but not quite ready for the full GCSE programme. It is a unique experience which will give you the grounding required for you to continue on your GCSE journey with us. The Ignite curriculum has been designed so that students are able to maintain a broad KS3 provision that allows them to build their basic understanding of the knowledge and skills that are going to allow them to make excellent progress in KS4.

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Students follow a broad curriculum in Year 10 and 11, developing important core knowledge and skills whilst specialising in subjects that will help them find their chosen career. At Key Stage 4 students study English language, English literature, maths, combined or triple award science. They will choose from a core option of: computing, history, geography or Spanish, plus a range of optional subjects.





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Our sixth form offer is truly unique. We offer career focused pathways to help young people visualise and achieve their path to success.

Our pathways are:

- Tech including Games Designers
- Creatives
- Medicine / Dentistry and Veterinary
- Life Scientists
- Physical Scientists and Engineers
- Applied Scientists
- Social Scientists
- Health

We also offer our students a variety of project-based learning, EPQs, placements and masterclasses, so they get a real taste for the jobs and environments that they are passionate about, and amazing experiences to write about in their applications.





Students go on to an exceptional

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In the heart of Liverpool's bustling creative and digital district, we're housed in a Grade II listed former warehouse. The lofty spaces of the warehouse give us unparalleled flexibility and scale. We're fully wheelchair accessible throughout the building, with disabled toilets on every floor and home to:

- · industry and university standard innovation laboratory spaces
- industry standard computing and gaming labs
- an art suite and a graphics centre
- a dedicated health suite, with real hospital beds and a 'Sim Man' a fully functioning dummy patient
- an animal management centre, home to rabbits, lizards, geckos and more...
- · a 120-seat lecture theatre and cinema
- an engineering suite with design, printing and production facilities
- a fitness suite and gym, equipped with the latest sports kit
- flexible teaching areas and core learning facilities
- a fully-functioning aquaponics environment in our basement
- a ground-floor café and co-working space for sixth form students





Life Sciences UTC 2021 Exam Results – Unvalidated Key Stage 4

Attainment

- Average Attainment 8 Score 45.55
- 80.5% gained grade 4 or above in English
- 74.7% gained grade 4 or above in Maths
- 70.1% gained grade 4 or above in English and Maths
- 67.8% gained grade 5 or above in English
- 46.0% gained grade 5 or above in Maths
- 37.9% gained grade 5 or above in English and Maths

Progress

- Progress 8 Score 0.04
- English Progress 8 Score -0.38
- Maths Progress 8 Score 0

Key Stage 5

• Value Added Score 0.35

Progress Scores by Qualification Category

- A Level 0.64
- Academic 0.62
- Applied General 0.19
- Average Grade by Qualification Category
 - A level B-
 - Applied General Distinction-
 - Technical Distinction-

The Studio 2021 Exam Results – Unvalidated Key Stage 4 Attainment

- Average Attainment 8 Score 50.44
- 85.7% gained grade 4 or above in English
- 68.3% gained grade 4 or above in Maths
- 65.1% gained grade 4 or above in English and Maths
- 68.3% gained grade 5 or above in English
- 50.8% gained grade 5 or above in Maths
- 47.6% gained grade 5 or above in English and Maths

Progress

- Progress 8 Score 0.12
- English Progress 8 Score 0.36
- Maths Progress 8 Score -0.15

Key Stage 5

• Value Added Score 0.97

Progress Scores by Qualification Category

- A Level 0.94
- Academic 0.9
- Applied General 1.4
- Average Grade by Qualification Category
 - A level B
 - Applied General Distinction+
 - Technical Distinction+



Liverpool Life Sciences UTC continues to raise the aspirations of our students, preparing them well for further education and future careers in life sciences. The UTC prides itself on providing students with opportunities to grow through experience with prestigious employers and expert mentoring and this was reflected in our latest report.

Read the full report here: https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50145909

The Studio School is an inclusive environment where diversity is celebrated

- The Studio has strong links with industry
- It's more like a family than a school
- · Studio staff feel valued and are proud to work at the Studio
- Pupils feel safe and are happy at the Studio
- Students in sixth form show a professional attitude to their work

Read the full report here: https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/23/139589

My work with us?

All Staff

- Excellent opportunities for advancement & promotion
- Bespoke training as part of our talent management programme and online accredited CPD courses
- · Well lead and managed teams
- Inclusive induction programme
- Designated reprographics support & ICT helpdesk
- Pay related benefits such as Childcare vouchers and Cycle to Work scheme
- Proactive approach to mental health and wellbeing including a supportive HR Department who can provide access to wellbeing services such as Counselling & Occupation Health
- Free on-site secure parking
- Free access to Fitness suite
- Complementary tea & coffee facilities
- Duke of Edinburgh
- · Extended opening hours to promote a better quality of work/life balance
- Employee Assistance Programme
- · Staff discounts available through Salary Extras

Teachers

Fast track UPS/Leadership progression Main scale teachers have a minimum 15% timetabled PPA time Training and support for middle or emerging leaders and access to NPQML/SL programmes

Comprehensive NQT/School Direct/Teach First programme

Paid Development post opportunities

Support Staff

35 days paid annual leave (including bank holidays) Support for staff wishing to progress into teaching through School Direct Membership into the local Government pension scheme, where we as employers pay an additional 11% of contributions Time off in lieu when available Non contractual discretionary leave during school closure periods I am proud to be a member of staff at this school 26 responses



Leaders use professional development to encourage, challenge and support teachers' improvement 26 responses



The school is well-led and managed 26 responses



The school has a culture that encourages calm and orderly conduct and is aspirational for all pupils 26 responses



"My wife Had a serious accident which left her unable to care for herself and the support shown by the trust and staff was simply outstanding."

""When my father died the school, department and headteacher were extremely supportive - I was able to deal with things at the pace I needed to and had the time to set legal things in order before returning to work. I am enormously grateful for their kindness."

"In 2018 my husband had a serious accident which nearly cost his life. School/SLT offered unwavering support throughout, meaning I could focus on his recovery. This prevented me going off sick with the stress of it, instead the school worked with me to be flexible so I could still support my classes as I wanted to, but also be there for my husband and look after myself."

"I received a diagnosis during lockdown where I needed an operation. School supported me before the operation to ensure that I remained free from COVID so my op was not delayed. They supported me during my time off and also when I returned to ensure that I had a phased return and my teaching slowly increased together with other responsibilities. This made me feel that I could return to work feeling strong and that my employer valued me as a person and my health. I continue to need regular health checks and every appointment is supported without question."

"Lovely pastries at CPD days, tea and coffee at all times of the day, no pressure to do anything during holiday periods, days off for family commitments and religious (muslim) festival. Brilliant organisation and adaptability during the pandemic - heroic calm, adaptable, innovative in difficult situations. Above and beyond for pupil welfare - the Christmas parcels, the packs and laptops for home learning during Covid. Means an incredible amount to the students of this school - this reflects on the staff because we get treated with more respect."

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Northern School Trust is a not-for-profit education charity. It is a well-developed MAT (Multi-Academy Trust) held in high regard by the DFE. There are currently three schools in the Trust including an innovative Studio School and a Life Sciences UTC in the centre of Liverpool.

The Trust is proud of its collaborative way of working and is developing into a nationally recognised and trusted academy sponsor with an excellent reputation. The Trust has a wide range of expertise and specialised experience to call upon, having access to the FE, University, private and voluntary sectors as well as partner schools and consultant expertise drawn from across the UK.

The Trust has a central team that provides best value and an efficient service delivery in areas of HR, Finance, Enterprise & Marketing, Governance, Strategic ICT Development, Data and Facilities Management to all NST schools.



Thank you, and we look forward to working with you.

Liverpool Life Sciences UTC and The Studio School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.