

Economics at Royal Holloway: **Connect**

Opportunities for schools to connect with economics at Royal Holloway University of London
Academic year 2023-24.



The Department of Economics at Royal Holloway University of London are excited to collaborate with schools from London and the Southwest in order to engage A-level students with the university environment and to introduce modern social science, presenting the breadth of topics studied and methods used. To below outlines a set of alternative activities that we offer to schools this year.

Social Science Insights Event

Working with our fellow RHUL academic departments we offer "Social Science Insights" events that covers multiple disciplines in a joined-up format. A typical event can cover 3-4 disciplines out of Economics, Politics, Law, Psychology, and Geography and will give an overview of the disciplines included as well as introducing some current and engaging research questions. The aim of the event is to (i) spread awareness of the breadth of modern social sciences as A-level

students typically have a narrow understanding of each subject range, and (ii) to showcase the increasingly quantitative nature of modern social sciences which will encourage quantitatively talented students to consider new potential fields of study. An event could be tailored upon demand, but a standard format would cover 3-4 disciplines in a 2-hour event with an audience of up to 150 students. *Recent events have demonstrated a very high level of engagement and enthusiasm among the students invited.*

Interested in a Social Science Insights event, [contact us](#).



Discover Economics

In collaboration with the Royal Economic Society, we are part of the Discover Economics program in which currents students come to your school to discuss their experience of studying economics, in particular the breadth of topics covered.

You can find more material on the [Discover Economics website](#).

Interested in a Discover Economics visit, [contact us](#).





Data Boot Camp

Our Data Boot Camp we make use of our newly created DataLab@RHULECON. We invite up to 40 students to join us for either a one- or two-day event where they get the chance to delve into hands-on coding exercises, explore key programming languages, and see how modern data analytics are applied on real-world projects. Led by experienced instructors, we offer a sneak peek into the coding universe of modern quantitative social science, making it accessible for beginners while providing a taste of the excitement for seasoned learners.

Students get to explore the basics of languages like Python and R, unravel the logic behind code, and experience the thrill of bringing ideas to life through visualizations.

No prior coding knowledge required – only curiosity and enthusiasm.

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Work Experience

Over the summer term we offer work experience to a limited number of A-level students. Doing work experience in an academic environment serves both to inspire students towards university studies, and to provide opportunities for developing essential skills such as data analysis, quantitative research, critical thinking, and communication.

In work experience week, students get the chance to be involved and contribute to some ongoing research, working both individually and in team settings. Our work experience weeks blend both on-site and hybrid activities. One key on-site activity that has proven very popular with students is to be invited to a research workshop meeting of our applied economics research group. This activity provides an engaging insight into how research is conducted in a collaborative environment.

Interested in Work Experience, [contact us](#).

Quiz and More

Little time to engage? Interested in checking what you know about economics? Why don't you try our series of quiz?

[QUIZ](#)

Suitable for students from across school subjects.

We would like to hear from you for advice and suggestions on how we could engage! [Contact us](#)!

