# UCL CAJ Access to Justice Summer School



From the 21st to 26th of July, 2014 the UCL Centre for Access to Justice (Located within the UCL Faculty of Laws) will be hosting a one week residential summer school for Year 12 Students from across the United Kingdom to explore law and access to justice issues from a regional perspective.

The UCL Access to Justice Summer School will give you an opportunity to experience university life and the study of law in the heart of London at one of the UK's top Law Schools.

There are 30 places available on the programme and students from all parts of the UK are encouraged to apply, Students will stay in UCL's Astor Hall, a short walk away from the UCL Campus in Central London. UCL will cover the costs of all travel, accommodation and meals.



### **Academic Programme**

Teaching and learning will be through lectures, discussions groups and interactive workshops and throughout the experience you will be supported by a UCL Laws student mentor. You will gain valuable insight into life at UCL and the Faculty of Laws and well as developing important skills such as public speaking, communication, team-working and legal research.

During the week you will explore topics of access to justice and human rights, allowing you to gain a deeper understanding of these and other citizenship issues. The programme will culminate on student presentations relating to access to justice issues with a special focus on comparing and contrasting the different issues faced in the different parts of the UK.

### **Other Activities**

In addition to the academic programme, we will also be offering several other sessions to help prepare you for applying to university and university life including a specific session on student finance. To learn more about the legal profession and the paths to becoming a lawyer in the UK we will also be visiting the offices of a top law firm and one of London's many courts.

In the evenings, there will be a programme of social activities taking place. You'll have the opportunity to get to know your fellow students as well as explore the many amazing activities and attraction London has to offer.

Activities might include a visit to Shakespeare's Globe, the British Museum, or a quiz night at UCL.





### Who is Eligible?

The UCL Access to Justice Summer School is open to students currently studying in Year 12 or equivalent at maintained schools or colleges in the UK.

Priority will be given to students who meet all or most of the following criteria:

- Will be the first generation in their family to attend university.
- Have achieved at least 5 A/A\*s at GCSE.
- Be predicted to achieve at least an AAA or equivalent. In some cases applicants with lower predicted grades may be considered.
- Come from neighbourhoods with low overall progression rates to higher education.
- Attend schools or colleges with a low overall A level (or equivalent) point score.

## **How to Apply**

You can apply for the UCL Access to Justice Summer School by completing the online application form found on our website. Be sure to also give the link to your school so they can fill out the teacher's reference:

http://www.ucl.ac.uk/laws/accesstojustice/outreach/summerschool

Alternatively you can apply by filling out a hard copy of the application form which can be dowloaded from the same website and return it by post to (Shiva Riahi, Bentham House, Endsleigh Gardens, London, WC1H 0EG)

To request an application form directly or if would like more information on the programme prior to applying, please contact **Shiva Riahi at s.riahi@ucl.ac.uk** 

# What last year's students said:

"I love UCL! It is an incredible environment with a strong focus on hard work, succeeding, and becoming an active member of all societies."

"I have had more of an insight of what it would be like attending UCL which has made me more excited about university. The tutors and the student mentors I met are inspiring people"



"The summer school thoroughly broadened my knowledge of issues and made me sure of studying law at university"

"I think that this summer school was brilliant in helping me improve my confidence and was helpful financially making sure I got here. The [CAJ] staff actually cared about my presence and were really helpful"