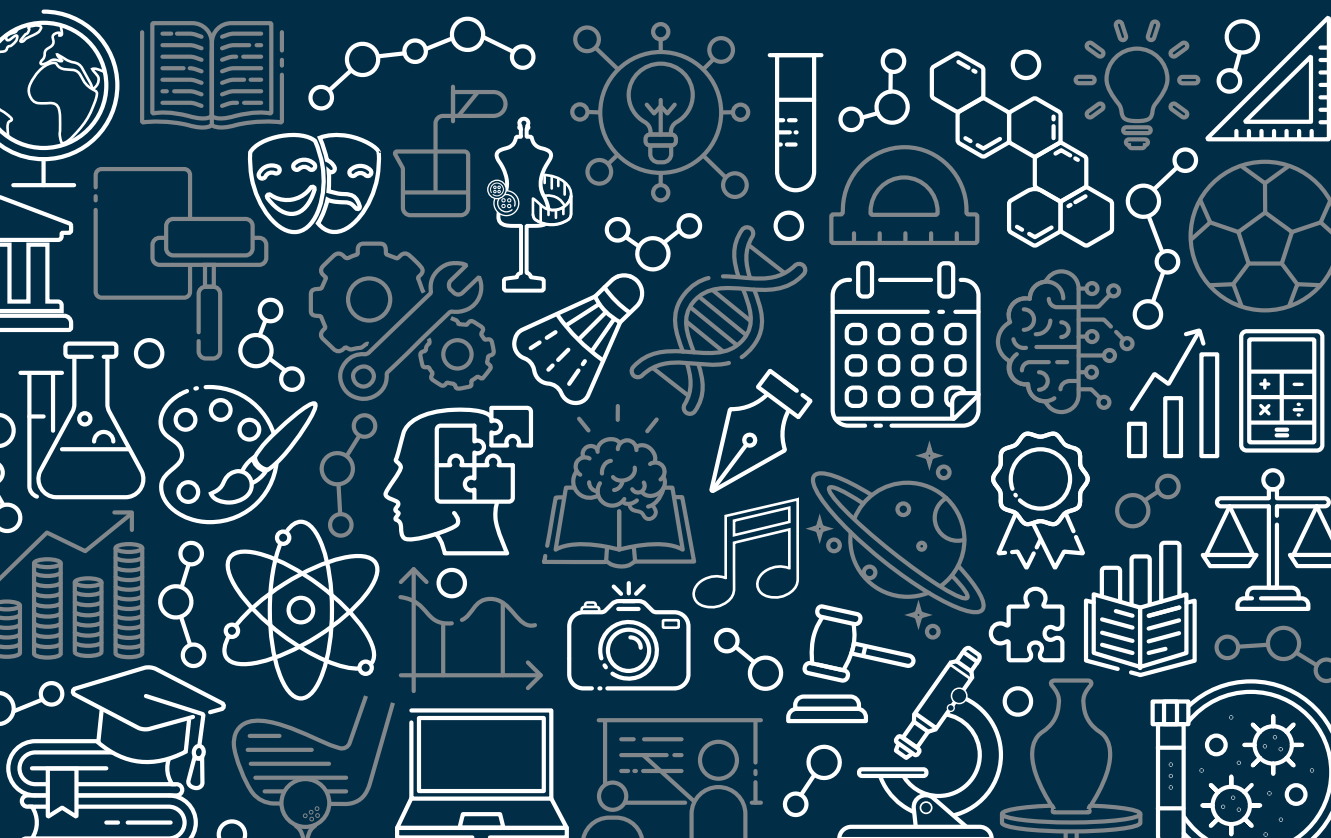


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Group Prospectus

London | Birmingham | Cambridge





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the freedom to **follow your own academic path**
being challenged, and succeeding in ways
you didn't think possible
inspiring tutors, and a helping hand when you need it
respect and being treated like a grown-up
experiencing the UK's most **exciting cities**
getting ready for life at **your dream university**

FOR YOU.


**Tailored,
*not uniform.***

Welcome to MPW


Welcome to Mander Portman Woodward (MPW), one of the UK's leading names in fifth- and sixth-form education. For over half a century, we have offered a distinctive alternative to traditional schools. Every element of our approach to education - small classes, a flexible curriculum, extensive exam practice, a strong tutorial system, superb teaching, and a socially relaxed atmosphere – is designed to help you turn your academic aspirations into reality.




Unrivalled academic choice
A level, Foundation Programmes, GCSE, Easter Revision, Summer School




Exciting city locations
Colleges in London, Birmingham and Cambridge




Small classes
Maximum of nine students in A level and GCSE classes




Vibrant college community
70% UK and 30% international students



Outstanding 1:1 support
Personal tutor system providing academic and pastoral support

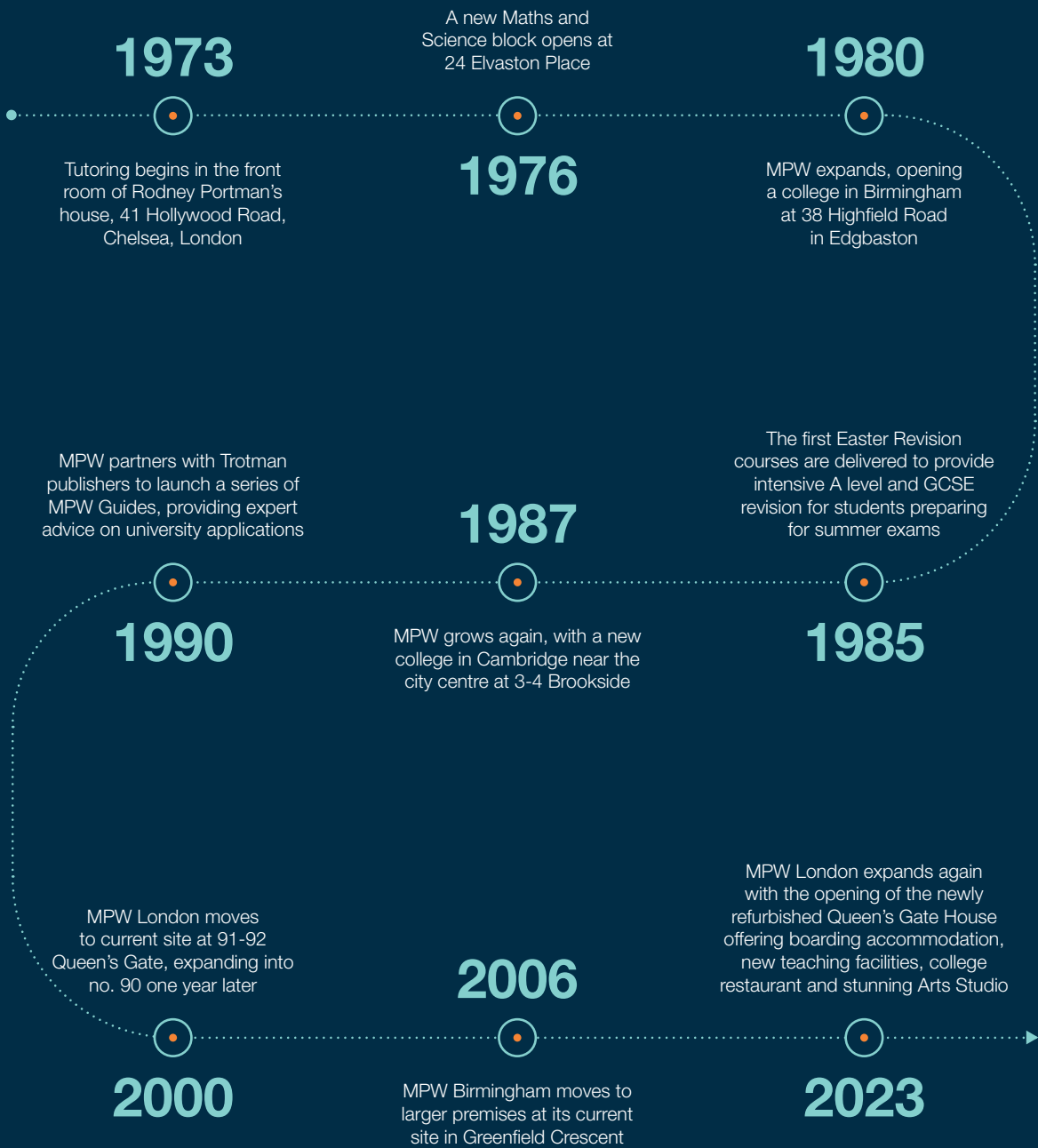


Home from home
Accommodation close to each college



Top inspection grades
MPW colleges have achieved the highest possible grades in UK government inspection reports

SINCE 1973





Locations

Our colleges are located in three of the UK's most exciting cities, all fantastic places for you to live and study. Whichever city you choose, you will enjoy a warm welcome, get to experience the best of British culture, and create memories to last a lifetime.

London

The UK's capital, and one of the greatest cities in the world, London is an iconic city full of world-famous attractions, entertainment, shopping, world-leading academic institutions and a truly global food scene.

Birmingham

Nestled in the heart of England, the UK's second city is also its most surprising with a young, ethnically diverse population (40% are aged 24 years old or under), vibrant cultural scene, great transport links and more miles of canals than Venice!



Cambridge

A city defined by the world-famous university that bears its name, Cambridge is an inspirational place to study with gorgeous historic architecture, academic and cultural institutions, and stunning green spaces.





International Students

When you join MPW, you become part of a genuinely unique student community, one you simply will not find at any other UK college group. Not only will you study alongside UK domestic students, who are the majority, but also with students from 80+ countries across the globe. This vibrant, international community is the ideal environment for you to build the language and cultural skills you need to succeed at university and beyond. Just as importantly, you will make friendships and connections that span the globe and last a lifetime.

360° SUPPORT

We understand the mix of emotions and the challenges that come with moving to a new country for your studies. From your initial interview with us through to the day you leave, we're here to guide and support you on every step of your journey.

Student Life

Being a student isn't just about what happens in the classroom, it's also about the unforgettable experiences outside of it that shape you as a young person. Each MPW college offers a wide choice of extra-curricular activities for you to enjoy throughout the academic year. From competitions and charity events, through sports, games, clubs and societies, to epic outdoor adventures, you are sure to find activities that you'll love.

* See pages 48-49 to read more.
NB: Activities vary by college and are subject to change.



Club and Societies

- Student Council
- Debating Club
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Model UN
- Chess Club
- Film Club
- Creative Writing
- Languages
- Computer Club
- Ethics and sustainability
- Botany Club
- Field trips



Sports

- Football
- Tennis
- Gym/Fitness
- Netball
- Cricket
- Badminton
- Golf
- Running
- Yoga
- Boxing



Careers*

- University Fairs
- UCAS Days
- University Preparation
- Oxbridge Programme
- Medicine Programme



Arts

- Art and Design
- Ceramics
- Photography



Success Stories

DAVID from Brazil

“My experience studying in MPW was really transformative for me as a person. I felt that the regular exam practice and feedback from the teachers and the work ethic culture of the school really helped me to get stuck in and do my best from day one. I’m really grateful for how my teachers treated me with the small class sizes, at around nine people per class. It meant that they could really give me personalised feedback and take good care of me. I’ve never felt that my teachers were working for me as much as when I studied at MPW.”

Grades: A*AA at A level

Progressed to: King’s College London to read Business Management



ANNA from Russia

“Entry into the English education system (which is very different from that in my home country) was a very unexpected turn in my life and I believe MPW was a great place for that. The college provided a gentle transition to the new environment, both in terms of academia and the country, and guided me carefully through the stressful period of one-year A level, as well as helped me to make good use of this time.”

Grades: A*A*A*A at A level

Progressed to: University of Cambridge to read Natural Sciences



IMAAAN from the UK

“Upon enrolling at MPW, I quickly came to appreciate the abundance of resources and opportunities tailored to unlocking one’s academic potential. The benefits ranged from small class settings to 1-1 sessions with subject teachers, complemented by exceptional study materials. Not only was there excellent academic support, but also a fantastic Director of Studies system that ensured each student was given personalised guidance along the way, making studying at MPW a truly great experience!”

Grades: A*A*A at A level

Progressed to: Imperial College London to read Medicine



BOHDAN from Ukraine

“The small class sizes and close-knit college allowed me to connect with others, make friends, and grow as an individual without feeling overwhelmed or distracted. I must give credit to the incredible system of personal tutors who provided unwavering support and guidance throughout my college journey, whether it was academic or extracurricular concerns. It made me feel secure and confident as I embarked on this new chapter of living alone in a foreign country thousands of miles away from home. As a result, I seamlessly integrated into the new community and country, allowing me to focus more on my lessons.”

Grades: A*A*A*A* at NCUK International Foundation Year

Progressed to: University of Manchester to read Information Technology Management for Business



HUYEN from Vietnam

“Studying at MPW was an incredible experience for me. The small class sizes, only nine people in the class maximum, allowed us to have a personalised learning environment where I felt really supported and truly engaged with the lessons. What I most liked about MPW was their holistic approach to student well being. The presence of the counsellor really helped me to find a way to manage stress in a healthy and balanced way.”

Grades: A*A*AA at A level

Progressed to: Queen Mary University of London to read Economics and Finance



ALEX from China

“MPW gave me a brilliant learning experience. The teaching was very focused and tailored. I really appreciated my teachers who were always willing to answer my countless questions and provide me with extra academic support.”

Grades: A*A*AA at A level

Progressed to: King’s College London to read Mathematics with Statistics



Visit our website to read more success stories:





MPW LONDON

“ Since our college was founded over 50 years ago, we have created a special environment in which to learn and achieve. Our committed staff, smart facilities, packed extracurricular offer, friendly community and enviable location in South Kensington is what sets our college apart. We look forward to welcoming you to the UK, and our amazing college. ”

DR SALLY
POWELL



Programmes

A level

GCSE

UAL Foundation Diploma in
Art and Design

MPW University Foundation
Programme

Art Portfolio Preparation
Programme

Pre-programme

Easter Revision

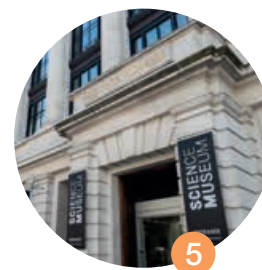
Summer School

WELCOME TO LONDON



MPW London is on a beautiful tree-lined street in South Kensington, one of the most exclusive areas of the capital. The college has two sites, just moments apart. Our main building comprises three, attractive five-storey Victorian townhouses, and is complemented by the beautifully refurbished Queen's Gate House.

The college sits among world-famous academic and cultural institutions, a thriving café culture, and is just a short Tube-ride away from all the attractions of Central London.



Key

- 1 MPW London
- 2 Queen's Gate House
- 3 Natural History Museum
- 4 South Kensington Station
- 5 Science Museum
- 6 Imperial College London
- 7 Royal Albert Hall
- 8 Hyde Park
- 9 Victoria and Albert Museum

Boarding

Our outstanding boarding facility for students aged 14-16, forms part of Queen’s Gate House. Stylish en-suite bedrooms offer a comfortable space in which you can study and relax. Our college restaurant offers an internationally inspired menu, served throughout the day by an award-winning caterer. Away from the classroom, our friendly boarding team ensure you make the most of your free time with a host of activities and trips. Most importantly, you become part of a vibrant international community, alongside 70 other boarders from around the world.



24 hour staff



Bed linen provided



Large restaurant and lounge



Meals inclusive



CCTV



All bills inclusive



Games



WiFi



Desk



Ensuite bathroom



Small double bed



Air conditioning





MPW BIRMINGHAM

Programmes

A level

GCSE

NCUK International
Foundation Year

Pre-programme

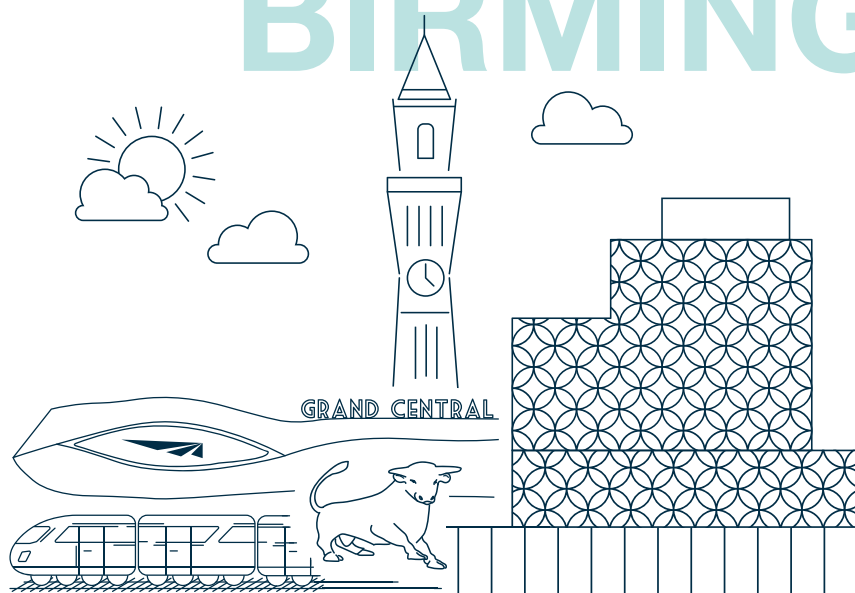
Easter Revision

“MPW Birmingham is a special place to study that constantly inspires and motivates its students to achieve beyond their expectations. Our goal is to develop confidence, maturity, knowledge and skills in all our students. We are proud of our college and passionate about what we do; we hope that you will visit us and learn more about the wonderful opportunities we can provide.”

MARK
SHINGLETON

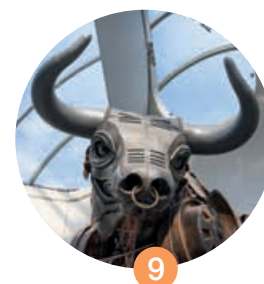


WELCOME TO BIRMINGHAM



MPW Birmingham sits outside the city centre on an attractive street of Victorian buildings in the desirable Edgbaston Village. This leafy suburb is home to the University of Birmingham and the city's botanical gardens.

Our college is a short tram ride away from the city centre, which offers a thriving food scene, a host of cultural attractions and the famous Bullring shopping centre.



Key

- 1 MPW Birmingham
- 2 Five Ways Station
- 3 University of Birmingham
- 4 Bullring
- 5 Brindley Place
- 6 Botanical Gardens
- 7 Edgbaston Reservoir
- 8 Library of Birmingham
- 9 Grand Central and Birmingham New Street Station



MPW CAMBRIDGE

“MPW Cambridge is a wonderful and dedicated community, a college where we are proud and passionate about what we do. We pride ourselves on our aspirational students, inspirational staff and small class sizes – an environment where our students are pushed to work hard in order to reach their full potential. Visit our college to experience it yourself.”

ANN
MEISNER



Programmes

A level

GCSE

NCUK International
Foundation Year

Pre-programme

Easter Revision

Summer School

WELCOME TO CAMBRIDGE



MPW Cambridge is situated on a pretty tree-lined street, next to the Cambridge University Botanic Garden, and close to the train station as well as the city centre.

Cambridge itself is a compelling blend of old and new. The city is defined by its world-famous university, which is steeped in history, yet at the forefront of cutting edge research. The city mirrors the university, with gorgeous, historic buildings that sit alongside modern buildings that are home to start-ups and tech companies.



Key

- 1 MPW Cambridge
- 2 Botanic Garden
- 3 Mathematical Bridge
- 4 King's College
- 5 The Fitzwilliam Museum
- 6 Market Square
- 7 St John's College
- 8 Bridge of Sighs
- 9 Cambridge Station



Student Accommodation

Our accommodation for students aged 16 or over is provided by KSS, a wholly owned subsidiary of MPW. You can choose from a range of smart, modern residences located in highly desirable areas close to each of our colleges in London, Birmingham and Cambridge.

Each residence combines comfortable spaces where you can study, relax and socialise, with a convenient location allowing you to make the most of everything each city has to offer.

Offering so much more than just a room, the friendly and experienced KSS team cultivate a real sense of community, as well as helping you to develop important life skills and experience a more independent lifestyle.

Visit the KSS website to view the available options:



A level

MPW offers the widest choice of A level options of any academic institution in the UK. There are no restrictions on subject combinations or course length. Most students choose to take three subjects at A level, with the option of also taking the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ).



Age: 16+



Maximum class size: 9



Start dates:
September (two-year) – 5.5 IELTS
January (18-month) – 5.5 / 6.0 IELTS
September (one-year) – 6.0 IELTS

Subjects	L	B	C
Accounting			●
Ancient History	●		
Art, Craft and Design	●	●	●
Biology	●	●	●
Business	●	●	●
3D Design/Ceramics	●		
Chemistry	●	●	●
Chinese	●	●	●
Classical Civilisation	●		●
Computer Science	●	●	●
Economics	●	●	●
English Language	●	●	●
English Literature	●	●	●
Film Studies	●	●	●
French	●		●
Further Mathematics	●	●	●
Geography	●	●	●
German	●		●
Graphic Communication	●		
Greek (Classical or Modern)	●		
History	●		●

Subjects	L	B	C
History of Art	●		●
Information Technology	●		
Italian	●		
Latin	●		
Law	●		
Mathematics	●	●	●
Media Studies	●	●	●
Music	●		
Philosophy	●		●
Photography	●		
Physics	●	●	●
Politics	●	●	●
Portuguese	●		
Psychology	●	●	●
Religious Studies	●	●	●
Russian	●		●
Sociology	●	●	●
Spanish	●	●	●
Textile Design	●		
Theatre Studies	●		
EPQ	●	●	●

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Subjects may be added or withdrawn from time to time.
Please check the MPW website for the latest information.



Please visit our website for further information:





NCUK International Foundation Year

The NCUK International Foundation Year is a pre-university foundation programme that prepares you for first-year entry to university. Successful completion of the programme guarantees progression to an NCUK University Partner, which include 25+ UK universities plus 15+ universities located in Australia, New Zealand, the USA, Canada and more.



Location:
Birmingham and
Cambridge



Age: 17+



**Maximum class
size:** 14



Programme length:
2 or 3 terms, start
dates in September
or January*



Entry requirements:

- English language level of IELTS 5.5 or equivalent (September start) or IELTS 6.0 or equivalent (January start)
- Completion of 12 years of schooling (or local equivalent to meet the same standard) with good grades

*MPW Birmingham only

Pathways

You will study one out of a choice of five pathways to prepare you for the university degree you would like to study.

- Business
- Computer Science**
- Humanities
- Engineering
- Science

Each pathway consists of a combination of three academic subject modules plus an English for Academic Purposes module.

Academic subject modules:

- Biology
- Business Studies
- Computer Science**
- Chemistry
- Economics
- Maths
- Physics
- Sociology

**MPW Cambridge only

ABOUT NCUK

Founded in 1987 by a consortium of leading UK universities, NCUK is now a leading, globally recognised university pathway provider. Its programmes have enabled over 50,000 students to progress to their chosen universities in the UK and internationally. MPW is a fully accredited, award-winning NCUK Study Centre.

NCUK
THE UNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM

Visit the
NCUK
website:



UAL Foundation Diploma in Art and Design

The UAL Foundation Diploma at MPW is a prestigious, widely recognised qualification that is your route to studying the creative arts at the University of the Arts London or other top creative arts schools and universities. It offers you the opportunity to explore a wide range of art and design disciplines in preparation for your chosen degree.



Location: London



Entry requirements:

- Successful completion of schooling with good grades (Year 11 or 12 depending on your country), or
- 1 x A level or 2 AS levels or equivalent Level 3 qualification, or
- 5 x GCSEs at grade 4 or equivalent, including Maths and English
- English language level of IELTS 5.0 or equivalent

If you do not meet the entry requirements, you will still be considered if you can demonstrate promise in art, design, or media.



Age: 17+

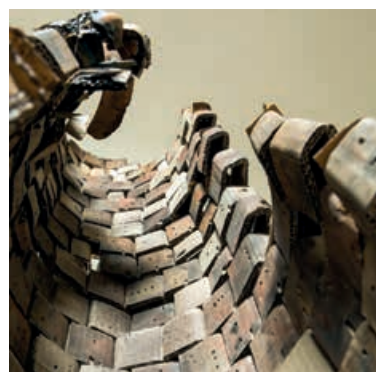
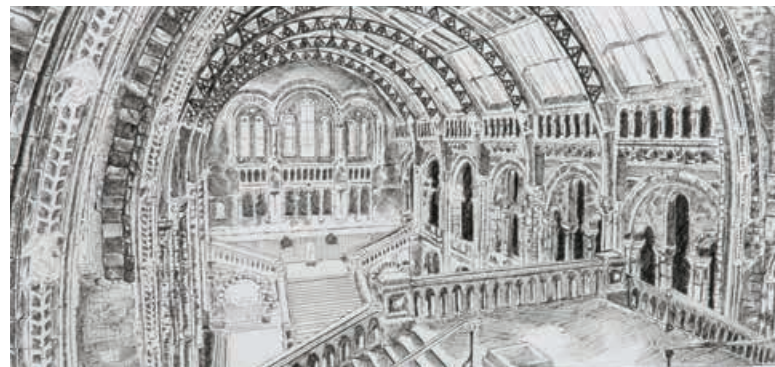


Maximum class size: 14



Programme length:
One year, 15 hours in class per week

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Specialisms

The Diploma will first introduce you to a wide variety of disciplines and methods to help you explore and develop your own practice. You can then choose to focus on one of the following specialisms:



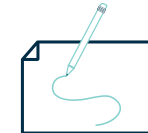
Architecture and Interior Design



Art (Drawing and Painting)



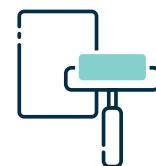
Fashion



Illustration



Photography (Digital and Darkroom)



Printmaking



Textiles



3D Design/ Ceramics



Art Portfolio Preparation Programme

This programme offers you the ideal pathway to studying art, design, fashion or photography at foundation level at university in the UK. Taken alongside two creative arts courses at A level, it will develop your skills and show you how to create a strong portfolio, a key entry requirement for most specialist art schools and universities.



Location: London



Age: 17+



Maximum class size: 9



Programme length: One year



Entry requirements:

- Successful completion of schooling with good grades (Year 11 or 12 depending on your country)
- English language level of IELTS 5.5 or equivalent, if taking 2 A levels, or IELTS 5.0 or equivalent, if taking 1 A level

Study Routes

Creative Arts Subjects

Art and Design
Fine Art
Graphic Design
Photography
Textiles/Fashion
3D Design/Ceramics

Complementary subjects

Business Studies*
Film Studies
History of Art
Mathematics or Physics**
Media Studies
Theatre Studies

LOTTIE from the UK

“I can’t thank MPW, and specifically the Art Department, enough for all the help and support that they have given me in my GCSEs and A levels. The Art Department is the truest version of child led education that I have had the privilege to encounter over my years of education. Greg and his team are passionate about the arts and are true artists and creators themselves, they all have a deep understanding of the environment necessary for a pupil to thrive and do their best work.

The teaching style is very much to listen to the pupil, understand their passions, their dreams and see them for who they are, encourage them and inspire them to be the very best version of themselves.

The facilities are second to none, and the teachers’ knowledge of the subjects and the arts in general is outstanding.

During my time at MPW, I learnt confidence and appreciation of myself as an artist, this combined with a safe space of kindness, mutual respect, and inspiration allowed me to achieve more than I could have ever imagined with excitement and determination about my future journey.

It goes without saying that I would recommend the college to anyone wishing to explore the arts and figure out their journey within it. ”

Grades: A*A*A* at A level

Progressed to: UAL to read Art and Design



*Recommended if you wish to study a degree such as Fashion Marketing

** Recommended if you wish to study a degree such as Architecture



University Foundation Programme

This foundation programme, which is of a similar academic standard to A levels, allows you to follow a number of flexible study pathways. Successful completion of the programme opens up the opportunity to progress to Russell Group, University of London and other leading UK and international universities.



Location:
London



Age: 17+



Maximum class size: 14



Programme length:
2 terms (January start) or
3 terms (September start),
21 hours in class per week



Entry requirements:

- Successful completion of schooling with good grades (Year 11 or 12 depending on your country)
- English language level of IELTS 5.5 or equivalent (January start) or IELTS 5.0 or equivalent (September start)

Pathways

You will study one out of a choice of three pathways to prepare you for the university degree you would like to study.

- Business and Economics
- Science
- Humanities

Each pathway consists of a combination of six academic subject modules plus an English for Academic Purposes module.



GCSE and IGCSE

Our GCSE and IGCSE courses are available in a wide range of subjects and over different course lengths. Most students opt to study between five and nine subjects. They are the ideal preparation for studying A levels and at university.



Formats:


Two-year (September start)

18-month (January start)


One-year (September start)



Age: 14+



Maximum class size: 9



Entry requirements:


English level:

- Two-year course: 5.5 IELTS
- 18-month course: 5.5/6.0 IELTS
- One-year course: 6.0 IELTS

Subjects	L	B	C
Art and Design	●	●	●
Biology	●	●	●
Business Studies	●	●	
Chemistry	●	●	●
Chinese	●		
Computer Science	●	●	●
Drama	●		
Economics	●		●
English Language	●	●	●
English Literature	●	●	●
French	●	●	●
Geography	●		●
German	●		●
History	●	●	●
Italian	●		
Latin	●		
Mathematics	●	●	●
Music	●		
Photography	●		
Physics	●	●	●
Psychology			●
Religious Studies	●	●	●
Sociology	●		
Spanish	●	●	●
Textile Design	●		
3D Design/Ceramics	●		

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Summer School

The MPW Summer School is where young minds shine. As a summer school student, you will explore future careers and traditional academic subjects in exciting new ways, as well as developing vital skills for life such as critical thinking and creative problem solving.

Outside of the classroom, you can look forward to a packed timetable of social and cultural activities, allowing you to experience the very best of British culture.

Most of all, you will meet and make friends with other students from across the globe and create memories that you'll never forget.



Two city locations:
London or Cambridge



Expertly-designed academic
programme



Industry field trips and
careers talks



University lecture series



Life skills classes



Exciting cultural and
social activities

Scan the QR code to discover more
about the MPW Summer School:



BAPTISTE from France

“ I think it has been great building relationships and making new friends. The lessons have been interactive, and I have found them very interesting. ”



Pre-programme

The Pre-programme is designed to help you to prepare for studying GCSEs, A levels and foundation courses. The programme will improve your written and spoken English, and build your knowledge of core academic subjects. You will also take part in a wide range of extracurricular activities and gain an enriched understanding of British culture.



Location: London, Birmingham, Cambridge



Maximum class size: 9



Age: 14+



Programme length: One or two terms
(September, January or April start)



Entry requirements:

- English language level CEFR B1 level or IELTS 4.0 or above, or equivalent – Pearson PTE (29-35), TOEFL iBT (32-34) or Cambridge English Scale (147)



Short Term Study Opportunities

Our Short Term programmes give you the opportunity to undertake short term study in the UK alongside British and international students at an MPW college. Immerse yourself into life at a UK school to improve your English language skills, learn more about British history and gain first-hand experience of the best of British culture.

We give you the opportunity to experience a variety of subjects which will help you decide what you would like to eventually study at university in the UK or in your home country. Upon completion of your chosen programme, you will receive a report detailing your progress during your studies with us.

Available programmes:

- Year 10
- Pre-programme
- GCSE
- A level
- University Foundation Programme



University Preparation

Each year, roughly two-thirds of MPW students progress to Russell Group, University of London or specialist universities. This consistent record of success is the result of the extensive support that each student receives with their university application. As an MPW student, you will benefit from:



Timetabled lessons to assist with UCAS applications, applications to non-UK universities or alternative pathways



University Fairs



Individual support with writing Personal Statements



Access to online advice platforms such as Unifrog

Oxbridge

Competition for places at the universities of Oxford or Cambridge is fierce. As a high-achieving student with a desire to compete for a place at Oxford or Cambridge, our Oxbridge programme is available to help give you the best chance of success. It offers:



Details of what studying at an Oxbridge college is really like



How to write an effective UCAS application, including sample personal statements



Specialist support on advanced reading materials



Practice aptitude tests and mock interviews



ARSYA from Indonesia

“I would definitely recommend MPW, especially for international students, because I was an international student myself and my Personal Tutor, and the whole college, were just very attentive. And they just wanted to make sure that I had a smooth transition in terms of studying abroad, and, on top of the great quality of teaching that they provide, as well as the facilities and services, MPW would always be there for you.”

Grades: A*A*A* at NCUK International Foundation Year
Progressed to: Queen Mary University of London to read Medicine



Medicine

If you are an aspiring medical student, you are automatically enrolled onto our preparation programme free of charge.

You will be provided with additional support in four main areas:



Personal statement review



Interview practice



Expert tuition to prepare for specialist tests



Additional lecture series to cover topical issues



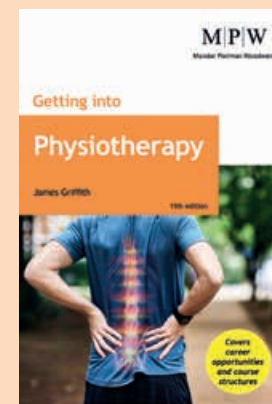
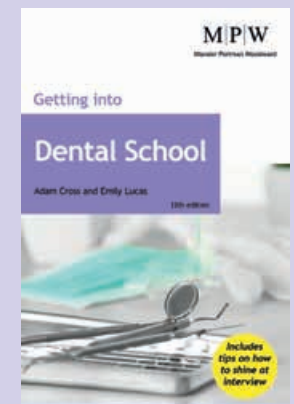
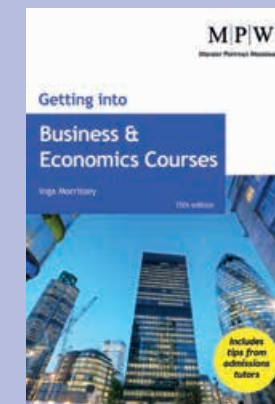
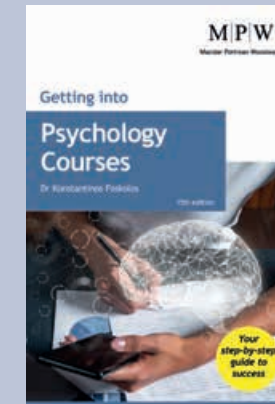
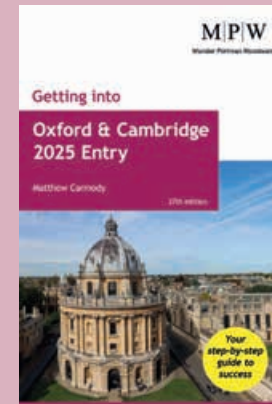
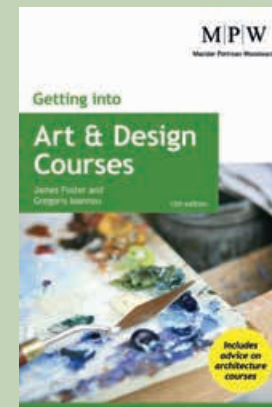


Easter Revision

The Easter break provides you with an invaluable opportunity to use your time effectively and get an important head start preparing for your exams. Our Easter Revision courses, available for A level and GCSE, help you to plug gaps in your knowledge, boost your confidence and improve your grades.

- Intensive courses with extensive past paper practice
- Board and topic specific syllabus coverage at A level
- Small class sizes, with a maximum of nine students, an average of six
- Detailed feedback and guidance on areas to improve
- Highly qualified tutors, many of whom are examiners
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- Available to study at all three MPW colleges with a residential option available at MPW Cambridge

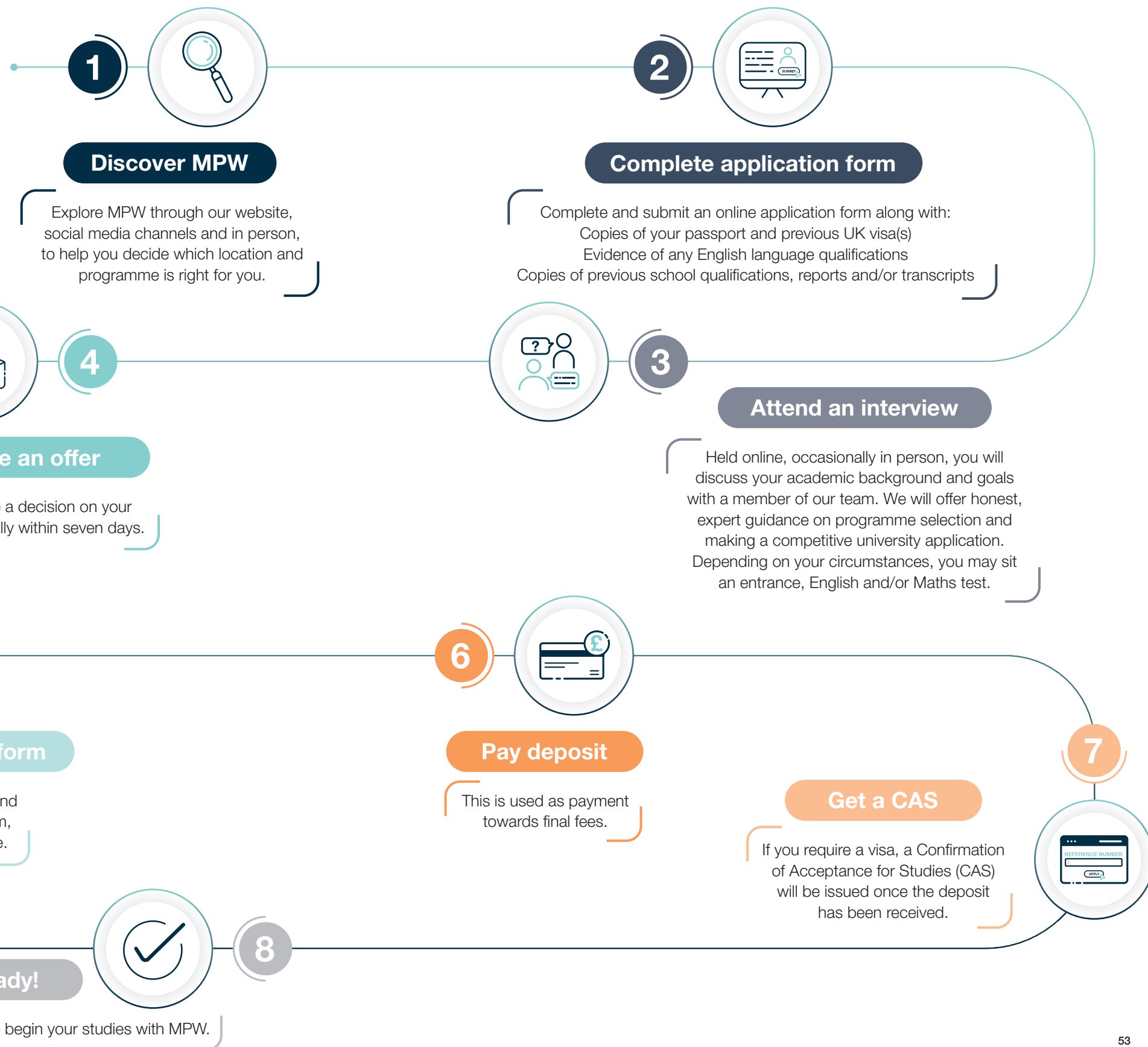
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