

Immersive Experiences Days 1-5

International Politics

- Meet UN and Foreign Office Staff
- Gain a deeper understanding of foreign policy, diplomacy and negotiation
- Learn the skills you'll need to master the Model UN simulation over the next 2 days

The Model UN Experience

- Enter a UN-style council chamber and become the representative of a national government as you tackle an international crisis
- Develop a plan to protect national interests
- Learn the role of negotiation on the international stage
- Race against the clock to build an effective international development strategy
- Represent the UN Security Council as you work to form a collective resolution
- Vote on your negotiated resolution: did you manage to resolve the conflict?

The Election Campaign

- Work in teams as you designate one candidate to run for a local constituency
- Design an electoral manifesto which will be your policy platform for the whole election cycle
- Examine different political strategies and evaluate the best ways to gain an advantage
- Get public speaking coaching from experts: perfect your pitch, delivery and power of persuasion
- Deliver speeches to your peers as the ballots open
- Work in your teams to canvass for deciding votes
- Deliver your statement of victory or defeat and receive live feedback on your campaign from industry experts

Immersive Experiences Days 6-10

Cyber Security in Politics

- Explore the role of cybersecurity in protecting government information
- Debate key ethical issues surrounding government surveillance
- Breaking news! The government has detected an imminent cyber-attack
- Assume the role of national intelligence and security officers: formulate a preventative

plan to protect governmental assets

-Compete to devise the most effective solutions as you react to the changing situation

-Present your plan to industry experts and receive live feedback

Law and Politics: The UK Legislation Process

-Step into the shoes of legislators and policymakers and discover how laws are made

-Evaluate the benefits and dangers of the legislative process

-Work in teams to create a ground-breaking piece of legislation

-Use your advocacy skills to ensure your bill becomes a piece of statute law

-Receive live feedback from industry experts on your performance and strategy

Politics and The Media

-Visit a state-of-the-art newsroom and meet top media professionals

-Examine how political correspondents scrutinise politicians

-Withstand media scrutiny as you maintain control of the narrative in a live broadcasting simulation

-Receive live feedback from media experts on how you handled the challenge

Consultancy and Lobbying

-Learn how political consultants provide insight to clients seeking to influence government policy

-Develop the skills needed to be a political consultant as you work in teams to advise your client

-Discussing the latest political thinking in government and identify the best route of action

-Learn about lobbying firms and the impact they have on the political process

-Evaluate whether lobbyists are a positive or negative addition to the decision-making process

-Explore the recent scandals that have engulfed lobbying firms in the UK

-Lobby politicians to tackle crime in a live simulation

Networking Event with Top Political Figures

-Take part in a private networking session with top political professionals

-Put your newfound knowledge to the test

-Have your burning questions answered by those in the know

-Receive valuable advice from experts in the field

Immersive Experiences Days 11-15

CAREERMAX

Over the next five days, we will prepare you to outperform others in the race to become a top political leader. You will be given dedicated coaching on how to become a world-class professional in any industry, with training on the most crucial skills that universities and employers are looking for: public speaking, leadership, teamwork, problem-solving, communication, time management and negotiation. Expect hands-on, interactive activities led by professional development experts, to help turn you into a confident young political leader, right now.

Leadership & Teamwork Coaching

-How you can build a high-performance team

-The most effective styles of leadership you can adopt

-What makes the ultimate team player?

-Inspiring and motivating others

-Leading vs managing

Leadership & Teamwork Challenge:work with your team to try and devise how to create a city fit for human habitation on Mars

Public Speaking & Communication Coaching

-Public speaking coaching by a specialist who trains CEOs

-Perfecting enunciation, tone, pace and body language

-How you can engage an audience and read the room

-The art of persuasion

-How to communicate effectively in a team environment

-Understanding emotional intelligence and using empathy

-Building strong interpersonal skills

-Influencing others

Communication challenge: use your communication skills to guide a blindfolded team

member to safety on an obstacle course

Public speaking challenge: critically analyse public speaking performances

Negotiation Coaching

-Understand the art of negotiation and its importance

-How to identify when you are actually in a negotiation

-The typical stages of a negotiation

-Key negotiation styles

-Building relationships

-Key tactics: anchoring, tradeable concessions, commitment tactics, bluffing, injecting urgency, varying pace and more

Negotiation challenge: enter a simulated hostage negotiation scenario. Work with your team to get the hostage released

Problem-Solving Coaching

-How you should approach problems and solve them decisively

-Analytical skills: identifying and structuring problems

-Creative and lateral thinking

-Effective decision-making

-Implementing solutions, analysing results and making changes

Problem-solving escape room: work through a series of complex problems under time pressure

Time Management Coaching & Reflection

-How successful people manage time

-The time management quadrant

-Setting goals, prioritising, simplifying and re-evaluating

-The power of hyper-focusing

-Eliminating distractions

-Practising the '4Ds': doing, deferring, delegating and deleting

-Implementing solutions, analysing results and making changes

Time management challenge: enter a humanitarian crisis simulation. Identify your goals, decide your priorities and execute them under time pressure