

Press Release

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London Met to host Royal Institution master classes for consecutive year with new focus on computing.

London Metropolitan University have once again collaborated with the Royal Institution to host a series of six master classes for year 9 and year 12 students. This year for the first time masterclasses in computing have been introduced.

The Engineering and Computing masterclasses are delivered for year 9 students while Maths classes are aimed at those in year 12.

The classes run every Saturday until 19 March 2016 with over 600 school students attending the sessions. London Met is one of two universities running the master classes.

The sessions are run by specialist scientists, engineers and mathematicians from both London Met, Imperial College London and the Royal Institution.

The classes form part of London Met's Widening Participation offering. The University holds two series of master classes between January and March every year; the first three weeks are hosted by London Met specialists and the second three weeks are held by Royal Institution specialists. Both series are held at London Met's Holloway campus.

"The Royal Institution Masterclass series is underway again and this year we have added Computer Science to the already established subjects offered - Maths & Engineering, and so far I believe that the Computer Science strand has been as successful as the other two," says Renzo Veschini, Schools, Colleges and Widening Participation Officer.

"This is in no small part to the fantastic academics and guest speakers who have been delivering the sessions. The students really seem to be making the most of this opportunity. They are always very enthusiastic and therefore a joy to work with."

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About London Metropolitan University

London Met has been providing education to people from all backgrounds since 1848, with the creation of the Metropolitan Evening Classes for Working Men.

Four faculties teach cutting-edge, relevant courses across the arts, sciences, business, law and humanities. Accelerator – London Met’s specialist business incubator – helps graduates get their enterprises up and running and was named among the Top Five ‘Most Active’ accelerators in Europe in 2015, highlighting its contribution to London’s booming start-up industry.

London Met is home to world-leading academics who regularly give expert comment to the media. The University scored well in the 2014 Research Excellence Framework, being ranked 4th in the country for Area Studies and performing strongly in Education and Social Studies.

The University is strongly focused on employability. In 2015, London Met recorded its highest ever graduate employment score, with 91.1% of all 2013/14 graduates in work or further study six months after graduation.

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