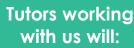


The Scholars **Programme** 2020-21

The Brilliant Club's Researcher Development Programme offers PhD and Early Career Researchers a meaningful, paid, professional development opportunity.

Its mission is to support pupils from underrepresented backgrounds to have fair access to university. It does this by training PhD researchers as tutors to deliver The Scholars Programme in non-selective state schools.

recent survey of researchers showed 85% of tutors reporting that "working as a tutor has boosted their employability skills" and 96% agreeing or strongly agreeing that their latest placement "provided me with a meaningful opportunity for public engagement.



- Support local pupils from underrepresented backgrounds to access university
- Get expert training and real experience to develop their teaching and other
 - Earn £500 per placement, plus an additional £100 for designing a new course, and travel expenses
 - Join a nationwide community of like-minded researchers making a significant impact on

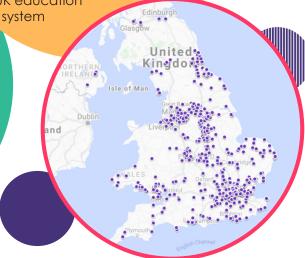
Opportunity for PhD researchers and Post Doc Researchers



Researcher development benefits

Training and working with The Brillian Club develops Vitae compatible competencies. Our outcomes framework enables researchers to:

- Communicate their research to a non-specialist audience
- Gain valuable teaching and public engagement experience
 - Deepen their knowledge of the UK education



Trainina

Researchers are supported to deliver university-style tutorials to small groups of pupils. For pupils aged 13 and above, they design and deliver programmes based on their own research. For pupils aged between 9 and 12, researchers deliver a pre-designed programme which is pitched at the appropriate level for these learners.

Current School Partners

To prepare for their placements, all tutors take part in a weekend of pedagogical training. We offer three training weekends throughout the year, hosted regionally.

A typical training weekend will consist of the following:

- Core pedagogy sessions focusing on course design, tutorial planning, pupil engagement, and assessment
- Elective sessions which focus on topics such as the UK school system, differentiation, and effective questioning
- Child protection and safeguarding
- Social events

Designing a course

Tutors create a diverse range of exciting courses, based on their own unique research. Here are some course examples:











Scholars Programme tutor journey

All researchers who work with us are asked on a termly basis whether they are available. The Scholars Programme team will then look to place every available tutor in a local school.



Training

- Design your course with personalised support
- Attend a training weekend
- Complete a Course Handbook

Training weekend dates

- Autumn: 12th-13th September
 Spring: 14th-15th November
- Summer: 27th-28th February
 - Programme starts

In-school tutorials

- Deliver 1-hour weekly tutorials in school to 2 groups of 6 pupils (weeks 2-5)
- Set and mark homework
- Use your course handbook and a virtual learning environment to support pupils

Launch trip

- Attend your pupils' launch trip at one of our partner universities
- Meet your group and their teacher
 Deliver tutorial 1 and set baseline
- assignment

Assignment writing and feedback tutorials

- Mark draft assignment (submitted ahead of tutorial 6)
- Provide 1 to 1 feedback in tutorial 6
- Mark and moderate final assignments
- Provide 1 to 1 feedback in tutorial 7

Programme ends



Pupils graduation

Pupils will visit a second university to celebrate their achievements on the programme in a graduation ceremony. Tutors are welcome to attend.

Our annual reach and tutor experience

"Working with The
Brilliant Club has forced me
to look at my research from an
outsider's perspective and to ensure that
it's accessible for non-experts. I think this is
particularly important in my area of research
(climate change), and it's taught me a lot about
how to engage young people in this area of
science. I'm certain this has improved my
employability. I feel so much more
confident talking about my
research now."



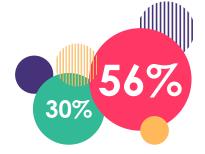




Sarah Wilson Kemsley, University of East Anglia, Scholars Programme PhD tutor

Programme impact

Independent analysis by UCAS shows that 56% of Year 12 pupils that completed The Scholars Programme progressed to a highly-selective university, compared to only 30% of pupils with similar backgrounds. This is a sizeable and statistically significant difference.



How to apply and next steps

Online application

Successful applicants invited to an Assessment Centre

Mini tutorial Interview Self-evaluation

Feedback

Training and placement

- For Autumn and Spring placements please aim to apply by May
- For Summer placements please aim to apply by November

For further information about The Scholars Programme and to access the online application form, please visit our **website**.

Get in touch

If you have any queries regarding the organisation, the opportunity to work as a Brilliant Club Tutor or the application process please send us an email at apply@thebrilliantclub.org.

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