


Young Leaders

Challenging leadership development course • *Ages 13-16 & 16-18*

 **Age range:**
13-16 & 16-18

 **Class size:**
11

 **Certificate:**
Personalised report card & certificate

 **Exam:**
Students present a small-group project at the end of each week in prestigious locations

 **Minimum language level:**
B1 (lower intermediate)

 **Weekly excursions:**
2 full-day

 **Hours per week:**
28 hours

Young Leaders is the perfect course for ambitious students looking for a challenging summer experience, developing confidence in their leadership skills as well as in themselves.

The course develops key leadership skills such as project and people management, public speaking, teamwork, critical thinking, logic and many more.

Students receive a variety of teaching styles in order to give them a well-rounded experience and opportunity to challenge themselves in different settings.

Each week follows a different theme, designed as a platform to develop skills. They are not study options, but instead provide a framework for projects and development of leadership in different areas of life.

The themes are:

- Politics
- Journalism
- Business
- Law
- International Relations

Students who take the course for two-weeks will cover all the below learning techniques.



Watch Leila from Tunisia share her experience on Young Leaders during Business week

Location & Dates

Ages 13-16 & 16-18:
Wadham College, University of Oxford
29 June - 3 August

The course takes place in the Dorothy Wadham Annexe, a new campus completed in October 2019. All students will also enjoy a Formal Hall on the main Wadham College site.

Young Leaders Learning Techniques



Weekly Projects

Centred around current world events to offer the opportunity to put leadership, delegation and teamwork into action



Input Sessions

Lessons created to develop students' leadership and soft skills through subject knowledge, delivered in small classes of up to 11 students



Interactive Lectures

Prestigious speakers engage students with short groups tasks and lecturer Q&A



Case Studies

Analysing real-life material to develop research and presentation skills



Workshops

Used to develop negotiation, presentation skills, public speaking, leadership and time management skills



Debate Club

Topics correspond to the weekly theme, focusing on critical thinking, constructing reasoned arguments and effective communication



Collaboration Skills

Exploring ways to build on and incorporate the abilities of other team members in our approaches



Leadership Lessons

Learning about personality and leadership types, and the need to adapt these depending on the individual or team



Growth Mindset

Exploring the thinking and qualities of great leaders and their mindset to maintain positivity and succeed despite initial setbacks or challenges



Project Management

Discovering approaches and techniques to successfully manage yourself and your team



Sample Week: Politics

The Politics week embodies everything the Young Leaders course represents, as students experience running an election campaign. Responsibilities include being in charge of fundraising, managing a team, leading a campaign, while also learning about the political spectrum, how laws are made, and how leadership qualities are implemented. Students are also introduced to project and time management skills as they learn to work together, apply self-study and research skills, and practice critical thinking.

Politics Week: Guest Speakers



Craig Simmons
Lord Mayor of Oxford

As the mayor of Oxford, Craig carries out over 300 engagements each year, ranging from high profile royal visits to smaller community work. As well as chairing the city council, Craig spends his time promoting Oxford, the council's initiatives, and supporting organisations based in Oxford.



Kathie Knell MBE
Military and Leadership Consultant

Kathie has 24 years' experience in developing and designing leadership and management solutions, largely spent as a British Army Officer, receiving an MBE for her work in 2010. She was elected Deputy Chair for the NATO Committee on Gender Perspectives.

Sample Timetable

	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
AM	Arrivals	Placement Test Course Induction	Excursion: Royal Courts of Justice	Input Session Project Preparation Project Management	Excursion: Bath: Roman Baths, Bath Abbey & the Royal Crescent	Input Session Project Preparation Leadership Lesson	Workshop: Public Speaking Project Preparation
PM	Arrivals	Activity: Walking Tour of Oxford		Interactive Lecture Input Session		Input Session Guest Speaker Project Management	Project Presentations
EVE	Welcome Games	Project Introduction	Activity: Film Night	Activity: Activity Choice	Case Study	Activity: BBQ Group Activity	Activity: Graduation