



South Bank
University Academy

Part of **LSBU** | GROUP

Inspiring future careers

Pathways to learning and success



Introduction from our Principal, Annette Moses

We are delighted that you are considering South Bank University Academy (SBUA) for your child's next step.

We are committed to supporting our students and helping them to develop and thrive, and to discover inspirational future work and life opportunities.

We are proud of our welcoming and inclusive school community and our safe and friendly environment.



***"At South Bank University Academy pupils are safe and well cared for.
They enjoy coming to school and like the strong sense of community"***
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Our motto, 'Create a better future', underpins all our work to provide a high quality and engaging experience of learning that will inspire our students. We believe that every student has the potential to succeed and that is why we start investing in their future careers as soon as they join us. By providing unique links to our partner university and major companies, we open the door to inspirational employment options.

When your child joins our school, they become part of our London South Bank community. Our position within the London South Bank University (LSBU) Group means that we can offer your child a guaranteed all-through route from school to university close to home in the same area of the city.

At South Bank University Academy, we strive to create a supportive atmosphere while encouraging our students to work hard, embrace challenges and develop resilience and self-confidence. We support our students to become responsible citizens who will make a positive impact as they grow to adulthood. Our values of social responsibility, endeavour, kindness, empathy, and community run through the entire organisation as part of our DNA. We are committed to a diverse school community and believe that our differences make us stronger.

I hope to see you and your child at one of our open events or on a school visit in the near future and look forward to welcoming you to South Bank University Academy. Please do get in touch with us at admissions@southbankua.org.uk

Mrs Annette Moses
Principal

Your child's future/career starts here

Choose SBUA for a truly unique experience:

- We are part of a London-based education group that offers guaranteed routes for successful students into college, apprenticeships, and university.
- Our strong links with global brands and London-based businesses open doors to some fantastic work experience and engaging placements.
- Students benefit from access to hi-spec facilities especially for sports and creative arts.
- We focus on careers from Year 7 with our Pathways programme that exposes students to options they may not know existed.
- Our students develop the habit of lifelong learning and self-development from an early age.



That is why joining SBUA is the first step on an exciting journey.

We can help you and your child to navigate the maze of modern jobs and understand current and future options for fascinating occupations. We will set out the possibilities for continuing education once your child moves on from SBUA, whether they choose an apprenticeship, college, or university route. Uniquely, SBUA is the only school that can guarantee a further or higher education place for those who achieve their qualifications.

Our students' experiences speak for themselves:

Lorenzo and Kieran (SBUA alumni)

"We met at school and are now both apprentices at Accenture, one of the biggest professional services companies in the world. We have always been friends and we're so happy to be taking this amazing journey together."



Chloe (SBUA student)

"I really want to become an engineer so after GCSEs, I want to join London South Bank Technical College (LSBTC) to study a T Level in engineering, maybe the manufacturing design one. The course includes a 45 day work placement which I am looking forward to because I think it will give me loads of good experience. Hopefully after that I will go on to start an apprenticeship. Being at SBUA has helped me see some of the amazing opportunities that a career in engineering could offer and how I can start work as soon as possible without going to university."

Mohamed (SBUA student)

"I've always wanted to work in the film and TV industry, so I am going on to creative media production at LSBTC when I finish my GCSEs. After that, I plan to move on to a HNC (Higher National Certificate) in film and complete a degree in media production at LSBU. I have seen the great high-tech equipment at LSBTC and Elephant Studios and definitely want to experience working with the university's creative agency, South Bank Collective. I'll also be able to save money by staying at home and complete my degree in a shorter timescale than if I did a foundation year."

Calling all students

We support SBUA students to be themselves, find out who they are and what they enjoy, and explore opportunities to try out different options and take on challenges that test out their abilities and help them to grow in confidence. We aim to help inspire every individual with the enthusiasm to take a first step along a career pathway that they will enjoy.

Reassurance for parents

You can rest assured that your child will benefit from our special attention to their happiness and wellbeing during their time at SBUA. We will get to know them and understand what motivates them, supporting them to achieve their best results and move on from school with the right qualifications. You can be confident that the pathways we offer through LSBU Group will see your child through school, college, university and into employment.



Subjects for years 7-11

Years 7-9 Core	Additional Subjects	Pathways Programme
English	Art	Pathways projects
Maths	Computing	Oracy
Science	Drama	Reading
	History	Project based learning
	Geography	Technical tasters
	Music	
	PE	
	RSE and PHSE	
	Spanish	
	Technology	

Years 10-11	Curriculum	Delivered	Progression
1 a	Academic	SBUA	SBUA/SBUS/LSBTC
1 b	Technical	SBUA	SBUA/SBUS/LSBTC
2	Schools link voc	SBUS/LSBTC	SBUS/LGC/LSBTC
3	Fresh Start	LGC	LGC

Note: The majority of students will follow pathways 1a/b. ALL students will participate in the LSBU Group Pathways Programme

Core	Ebacc Options	Open GCSEs (to be reviewed)	Btecs/alt quals	Pathways Programme
English lang	Biology (core)	Art	Business	Careers
English lit	Chemistry (core)	Business	Media	Voc tasters
Maths	Physics (core)	Drama	Sport	RSE/PHSE
+statistics	Geography	Music L2	EPQ	
History	Religious Studies	Music		
	Computer Science	Product design		
	Spanish	Citizenship		
	Mandarin			

Note: all options include the LSBU Group Pathways Programme, plus School delivered Ebacc = 7 GCSEs from the first two columns.

Key stage 5 pathways options all include LSBU Group Pathways Programme

Years 12-13 (6th Form)	A levels	BTECs	Pathways Programme
Level 3	Art	Business <small>(equivalent to three A Levels)</small>	Careers
	Biology	Media <small>(equivalent to three A Levels)</small>	Extended Project (EPQ)
	Chemistry	Music <small>(equivalent to one A Level)</small>	Work Experience (WEX)
	Computer science		
	Drama		
	Economics		
	English		
	Geography		
	History		
	Maths		
	Physics		
	Product Design		
	Psychology		
	Sociology		
	Spanish		
Years 12-13 (6th Form)	CTECs	GCSE	Pathways Programme
Level 2	Digital Media	English	Careers
		Maths	Vocational Tasters
			Extended Project (EPQ)
Years 12-13 (6th Form)	Curriculum	Delivered	Group Progression Options
Option A	Level 2 BTEC	SBUA	SBUA/SBUS/LSBTC
Option B	A level*	SBUA	LSBU/LSBTC
Option C	Level 3 BTEC	SBUA	LSBU/LSBTC

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A first step in the right direction

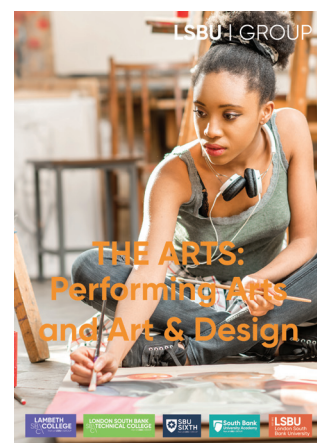
Talk to us about the wide range of progression pathways that are available to your child, through our group and beyond. We can help you to understand the education options that best suit your child's preferred route

depending on how they learn, their way of working and their career aspirations.

As their school career draws to a close, your child will have experienced a wide range of potential options to help them make decisions and move on with confidence.



Explore our LSBU Group Pathways programme:



Pathways to success

Our unique Pathways programme has been created in partnership with LSBU and is designed to ensure all our students have access to a wide range of enrichment experiences. We know that by giving our students these extra opportunities we can support them to be successful, not only in achieving their qualifications but in preparing them for their future life beyond school. The programme is supported by LSBU Group.

The programme covers a range of activities including:

- Extensive careers education and experiences
- LSBU experience days
- Community engagement and fundraising projects
- The chance to work with employers from our extensive network
- Skills competitions
- A wide range of visits to theatres, museums, and workplaces
- Fundraising
- Business Enterprise
- Guest sessions from LSBU speakers
- Coaching and mentoring.



Every student takes part in LSBU Group Pathways programme which is specially designed for all year groups. The programme is designed by academic experts with clear aims and objectives that support our students to be ahead of the game when preparing for their next steps.

We have set out 12 clear and comprehensive pathways to enable you and your child to navigate their next steps. We enable our students to try out the pathways that spark their interest starting in Year 7 and help connect them to activities that they really enjoy.

As part of this programme, students can expect to enjoy:

- Careers education that meets Gatsby standards.
- Technical and professional experience days at LSBTC and LSBU.
- Social enterprise projects that support citizenship.
- Engaging enrichment activities.
- The chance to work with employers from our extensive network.
- The opportunity to compete in skills competitions.
- Dedicated projects that foster their own interests.
- Guest sessions from LSBU speakers.
- The support of LSBU student mentors.

With so many options available after GCSEs, let us guide you as you help your child to prepare for the next step in their education journey and into employment. Choosing SBUA opens the door to college and university opportunities as well as sought-after apprenticeships and work placements with exciting employers.

Years 7 to 9 (11-14 years old - Key Stage 3)

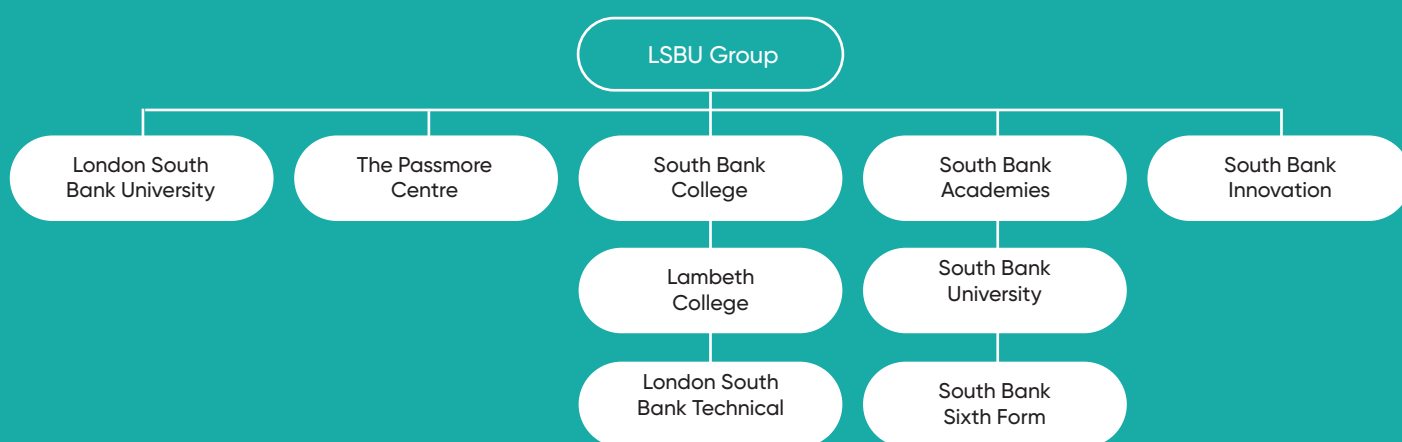
Our students cover a wide range of subjects, including the Pathways programme, to support them in preparing for their GCSE choices and next steps. KS3 includes core subjects such as: English; Maths; Science; Arts; Music; Technology; Drama; Languages; and Physical Education.

Years 10 to 11 (14-16 years old - Key Stage 4)

As part of LSBU Group we offer a range of GCSE and vocational courses at KS4 ensuring all our students have the opportunities to follow their own pathway and prepare for their future career pathway.

Years 12 to 13/Sixth Form (16-18 years old - Key Stage 5)

Our university sponsored sixth form offers a range of A Level and vocational options that support our students to progress to university, degree apprenticeships or employment.



Guaranteed pathways

No matter what subject inspires them, our students can follow their journey via SBUSIXTH, Lambeth College and LSBTC, and progress in a wide range of subject areas including:

- Engineering
- Finance
- Film and TV
- Science
- Health
- Esports
- Dental
- Business and finance
- Construction
- Nursing
- Games design

Students who successfully achieve A Levels, T Levels or BTEC programmes at Level 3 following their GCSEs can be sure of a guaranteed place to study for a degree with LSBU and get support to move on to meaningful career destinations. They will enjoy:

- Bursary opportunities
- Access to LSBU's Active Sports Centre
- Mentoring from LSBU students
- Guest lectures and practical workshops
- Professional and technical taster days
- Engaging activities outside the classroom
- One-to-one tutoring
- First sight of new LSBU apprenticeship vacancies
- Employer introductions.

Why not come and visit our school? Get in touch to arrange a convenient time via admissions@southbankua.org.uk