



**SOUNDSKOOL  
MUSIC  
INDUSTRY  
COLLEGE  
PROSPECTUS**





# WELCOME TO SOUNDSKOOL

Established in 2008, SoundSkool is a specialist music industry college with a vibrant, exciting and creative learning environment, specifically designed to give you the best start in your music career.

We are very proud of our community foundations, ethos and of our music industry connections and partnerships, which extend beyond the classrooms and studios.

At SoundSkool, our dedicated team of music teachers and practitioners are all creative education specialists and industry professionals with invaluable experience and expertise.

The team will teach you and guide you to develop a broad range of music skills, knowledge and experience, all of which are necessary to help you succeed in the constantly evolving and dynamic music industry.

We are all very proud of all our students and the staff team here at SoundSkool; everyone here is part of something special, and you can feel it as soon as you walk in the doors.

We wanted to send a special thanks to all the SoundSkool students that feature in this prospectus.

SoundSkool would like to wish you luck with your application to the college, all the best with your studies, and congratulate you on the start of your music career.

**We hope to see you in September.**



# SOUNDSKOOL X SOAPBOX

SoundSkool is based at SoapBox- one of Islington's gems. SoapBox is located in Old Street which is in the heart of the city, and within walking distance of the Barbican and Shoreditch.

SoundSkool students get to benefit from this partnership by using SoapBox's creative hub and dedicated spaces. This creative environment offers performance spaces, live rooms and studios.

This partnership is absolutely unique in the UK as we are offering students fully funded, full time music education during the day, followed by workshops and creative youth projects after college in the evenings.

## SoundSkool X SoapBox

- Live Room
- Studio
- Logic X Learning Lab
- Production Pods
- Rehearsal Rooms
- 121 Music Tuition Suites
- Breakout Spaces
- Welfare & Counselling Hub

Run by the Covent Garden Dragon Hall Trust, SoapBox offers workshops, mentoring, coaching, dance, music, digital creativity and this is all free for young people.





# STUDYING AT SOUNDSKOOL

The SoundSkool team is dedicated to making sure that a career in music is accessible to everyone, irrespective of what your background is.

Our courses have been carefully designed to offer you the best of music performance, music production and music business. You will also have the opportunity to showcase your practical skills through a range of scenarios and at showcase events.

Our curriculum is hands-on and practical, and has been designed to be fully industry relevant. We work as much to 'real life' briefs to ensure that you are developing an understanding and knowledge that is directly mapped to the wider industry. We also have external industry delivery partners, which enables us to deliver lessons externally to the college.

All of our teaching team are currently working within the music industry themselves as well as being teachers at SoundSkool. Our teachers have a vast understanding of the music world and are able to offer you the highest level of classroom theory matched with industry practical skills and a dedicated tutor to support you through your studies.

If you are an aspiring musician, music producer, singer or rapper, SoundSkool's accredited RSL (Rock School London) Level 2 & 3 Music & Business courses are tailored for all your creative needs and will support you to reach your own personal potential.

SoundSkool is proud to be partnered with UCG (United Colleges Group), one of London's leading training providers. Focussed on training and educating the capital's diverse workforce. This means that all of SoundSkool's music courses are fully funded and eligible for 16-18 year olds.

SoundSkool students benefit from this partnership by having access to UCG campuses, enrichment, facilities and bursaries.

## ENGLISH & MATHEMATICS GCSE'S

Any student who has not yet achieved a Grade 4 or above in English Language and/or Mathematics will be taught by SoundSkool's dedicated core curriculum tutors at SoapBox and sit their exams at City of Westminster College.



# LEVEL 2 COURSE

## MUSIC PRODUCTION, MUSIC PERFORMANCE & MUSIC BUSINESS

RSL LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA MUSIC PRACTITIONER  
ONE YEAR  
FULL TIME

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

5 GCSEs at Grade 2-3 including English & maths.  
Demonstrable basic music knowledge & skills.  
Good school references and school report.  
Successfully completing your interview and audition.

Our bespoke Level 2 course is the first stage in the SoundSkool journey and is designed for students who have some previous experience with music performance and/or production.

The course offers a broad overview of a range of music education topics that will develop your musicianship skills, broaden your business knowledge and aid your understanding of how to earn money in the music industry.

Project areas include remixing, radio/podcast production and live music performance.

You will also develop your music production, songwriting and performance skills, working both individually and as part of a group.

### On the Level 2 course you will learn:

- Intermediate level music production techniques
- Intermediate level music performance techniques
- To develop your music theory, piano and guitar skills
- To perform a solo/group set as part of a live music event
- How to develop your songwriting skills
- The different ways money is made in the music industry
- How to start a career in the music industry





# LEVEL 3 COURSE

## MUSIC PRODUCTION & BUSINESS

RSL LEVEL 3 SUBSIDIARY / EXTENDED DIPLOMA  
CREATIVE MUSIC INDUSTRIES  
ONE YEAR / TWO YEARS  
FULL TIME

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

5 GCSEs or equivalent Grade 4-9  
Level 2 Music Qualification Or Demonstrable  
Intermediate Music Knowledge & Skills

Our bespoke two year, Level 3 course is our flagship music production and business course, we offer you a fully comprehensive introduction to working towards being a professional music producer.

As well as developing your skills in music production, composition, music theory and business, you will develop a thorough understanding of how the music industry works and create the tools and resources necessary to start a career, find freelance work or even launch your own business.

As a music producer, you will learn to work to an industry brief, create music in a range of different genres and record and mix musicians in our master studio.

Collaboration is a key component of this course, you will be working with SoundSkool artists and creating music projects together.

### You will look in depth into the following:

- Synthesis
- Remixing
- Sampling
- Sound Engineering
- Mixing & Mastering
- Music Business

# LEVEL 3 COURSE

## MUSIC PERFORMANCE & BUSINESS

RSL LEVEL 3 SUBSIDIARY / EXTENDED DIPLOMA  
CREATIVE MUSIC INDUSTRIES  
ONE YEAR / TWO YEARS  
FULL TIME

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

5 GCSEs or equivalent Grade 4-9  
Level 2 Music Qualification Or Demonstrable  
Intermediate Music Knowledge & Skills

Our bespoke two year, Level 3 course is another of our flagship courses and offers a fully comprehensive introduction to the music industry.

You will be able to develop your skills in music performance, songwriting and composition to a professional standard, providing you with the skills necessary to progress your career.

As a performer you will develop your instrument/voice, artistic image and persona.

You will have the opportunity to perform at music industry focused internal and external events, auditions and music industry showcases, record your own material in our in-house studio, create your own music video and build your profile as an artist.

You will develop a thorough understanding of how the music industry works and create the tools and resources necessary to start a career, find freelance work or even launch your own business.

### You will look in depth into the following:

- Music Performance Skills
- Musicianship
- Composition
- Recording
- Improvisation
- Music Business





# SOUNDSKOOL MEET THE INDUSTRY

Outside of the classroom, teaching and learning is supported through a host of industry partnerships, collaborations and enrichment activities. These include trips, performances, audition opportunities, and regular masterclasses from industry professionals.

Our enrichment programme covers all aspects of the music industry from creative talent to business knowledge. Our tailor-made, industry-focused, work-based learning programme develops students' career and employability skills & knowledge, allowing all students the opportunity to undertake work experience placements.

SoundSkool work in partnership directly with music industry employers, we are very proud of these partnerships. We design our qualifications frameworks to the skills employers actually need in the workplace.

## WORK PLACEMENTS

Work experience is a much loved and important part of our SoundSkool courses. Students are provided with bespoke careers guidance, key employability skills, help building their CVs, interview techniques and learning about applying for work.

Students are then supported in gaining relevant and inspiring placements across the music industry and local community.

Students in the past have undertaken fantastic music placements at **Amazon Music, Cr8ing Vision, WMA, OB Management, Soho Radio, Nordoff Robbins, Hackney Empire**, and **Puma**, as well as successful roles at record labels, recording studios, marketing agencies, national music organisations, charities, schools, youth projects and community music initiatives.

# PROGRESSION

**Progression is at the heart of everything we do at SoundSkool, whether that means progressing on to university, higher education, an internship, freelance work, building an entrepreneurial career, or stepping straight into the music industry.**

All SoundSkool students take part in weekly tutorial and progression sessions designed to help you plan your next steps with confidence. You'll also receive dedicated support with university applications, including help with UCAS, writing personal statements, and exploring all your options for what comes next.

We know that your next destination is a key part of your journey, and we have the tools, guidance and industry expertise to support you every step of the way.

As part of your course, you'll also take part in employability projects delivered in partnership with our network of industry, education, and community partners, giving you the experience and connections to prepare for your future in music—wherever it takes you.

**95% OF OUR LEARNERS ACHIEVE THEIR MUSIC PRODUCTION QUALIFICATION**

**OVER 80% OF OUR LEARNERS ARE OFFERED PLACES AT UNIVERSITY & HIGHER EDUCATION**





# APPLY

## APPLICATIONS FOR STUDYING AT SOUNDSKOOL

### **STAGE 1:**

Pick your course and click 'APPLY NOW' to fill out our online application form.

### **STAGE 2:**

We'll request your latest school report from your parent or guardian and also get a reference from your school. Once we've received a good review of your attendance, punctuality, behaviour, and work ethic, we'll invite you to the next stage—an audition and interview at the college. This is your opportunity to show us your passion for music and get a feel for what it's like to be part of the SoundSkool community

Please Note: Audition and interview process ends July 2025

### **STAGE 3:**

We'll send you all the details you need to prepare for your audition and interview.

### **STAGE 4:**

If you're successful at your audition and interview, we'll offer you a conditional place to start with us in September!

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