



**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.

RSL



LEVEL 2 COURSE

MUSIC PRODUCTION, MUSIC PERFORMANCE & MUSIC BUSINESS

RSL LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA MUSIC PRACTITIONER
ONE YEAR
FULL TIME

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

5 GCSEs or equivalent Grade 2-3
Level 1 Music Qualification Or Demonstrable
Intermediate Music Knowledge & Skills

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

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MUSIC PERFORMANCE & BUSINESS

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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 - whether directly into the music industry, onto higher education, or into a successful entrepreneurial career- is at the heart of SoundSkool's approach to music education.

SoundSkool students have access to weekly tutorial and progression sessions to help plan for their futures, as well as dedicated support with university applications including UCAS support and personal statement advice and guidance.

The next destination in your journey is key to your progression and we have all of the tools and expertise to support your progression needs.

All students will take part in employability projects run in conjunction with our range of industry, delivery and community partners. Our recent Dream it Real Project in conjunction with SoapBox and UK Youth saw successful applicants each awarded a grant to assist with their musical journey.

SoundSkool is also a recognised Jack Petchey Award centre.

We are very proud of our alumni network and where they have progressed on to in the next stage of their music journey. We are always very proud to see our students progress into the music industry.

You can see a small list of some of our alumni music artists and music producers below:

SOUNDSKOOL ALUMNI

- AJ KING
- BEECHER PROD
- CASSIE RYTZ
- DANIEL FINLAY
- DRIGYY
- GXFT
- HOSHOMA MUSIC
- LUENA MARTINEZ
- M1 ON THE BEAT
- MK THE PLUG
- PROD BY THOMAS
- SILVANA
- SOPHOMOORIEK
- SQUINTZ





APPLY

APPLICATIONS FOR STUDYING AT SOUNDSKOOL

STEP 1:

Choose your course level/pathway

STEP 2:

Go to **www.soundskool.co.uk**

Apply Now & complete the online application

STEP 3:

SoundSkool will contact you to arrange an audition and interview, which you would need to attend to meet our team and tour the facilities.

STEP 4:

If you are successful, you will be offered a conditional space for September enrolment and be able to start your SoundSkool journey into the music industry.

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