UK Young Academy

**2022 Application Form**

**Closing date: Thursday 8 September 2022, 3pm (BST)**

Information about the UK Young Academy can be found at [ukyoungacademy.org](http://www.ukyoungacademy.org), including further details on how to apply for membership and eligibility criteria. If you are unsure whether you are eligible to apply, we would encourage you to make an application, as our selection committee will be taking in numerous considerations to make their decision on the first cohort of members. Please also get in touch with us if you are unsure whether you are eligible. We recommend you read the [guidance notes](https://ukyoungacademy.org/membership/applying#guidance) for applicants carefully before starting your application.

If you have any questions about applying or the UK Young Academy in general, please contact [enquiries@ukyoungacademy.org](mailto:enquiries@ukyoungacademy.org).

**Completed application forms must be submitted via the** [**online application portal**](https://youngacademy.powerappsportals.com) **by 3pm (BST) on Thursday 8 September 2022.**

**Email applications will not be considered.**

**About the UK Young Academy**

The UK Young Academy is welcoming applications for its first members. We are looking for dedicated, driven and dynamic individuals who live in the UK and are committed to collaborating with others from a spectrum of different sectors.

The application form consists of three main sections that cover an applicant's career, a personal statement and how they feel they will contribute to the UK Young Academy. Applicants will be asked to use these to demonstrate evidence of outstanding professional achievement, together with other relevant skills and experience they might have. This might include, for example, previous involvement in or enthusiasm for innovation and entrepreneurial activity; interdisciplinary working; interest in both global and national professional and societal policy issues and interest or participation in international collaboration.

Alongside the evidence listed above, we are looking for broader skills and experience that demonstrate a passion for working with others; a capacity for leadership; interest in wider societal issues and a flair for innovative and creative thinking.

**Referees**

As part of the application process, we ask you to submit details of two referees who are willing to provide references to support your application. When you submit your referee details as part of your completed online application form, the individual will automatically be contacted to fill out their Referee Form. A document template of this form as well as supporting guidance can be found on the [UK Young Academy’s website](https://ukyoungacademy.org/membership/applying#guidance).

Please ensure that you have already approached your nominated referees beforehand to prepare them for this step.

We do not require references to support the applications of applicants who are asylum seekers or refugees. You can answer ‘not applicable’ for this section of the application form.

**We will require all references to be received by the closing date of Thursday 8 September.** Applications which have not been fully completed by the closing date may be deemed incomplete and not progressed for review.

\* Indicates required field

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| **Data Protection** | |
|  | * I agree to the UK Young Academy processing my information for the purpose of administrating the applications for UK Young Academy membership, as set out in its [Privacy Policy](https://ukyoungacademy.org/privacy-policy/)\* |
| **UK residence** | |
| **Are you a current resident of the UK?\*** | * Yes * No * Exceptional circumstances (see guidance notes) |
| **SECTION 1: About You** | |
| **Title** | (e.g. Ms, Mr, Dr) |
| **Forename(s)**\* |  |
| **Surname\*** |  |
| **Home address\*** |  |
| **Email address\*** |  |
| **Current post and organisation\*** |  |
| **Which sector(s) would you place yourself in?**\*  Note, this question is for internal use only to support with the reviewing process.  Even if your sector is not listed, please try and indicate the most relevant option. | *GROUP A: Life Sciences*   * Biomedical and Cognitive Sciences * Clinical Sciences * Organismal and Environmental Biology * Cell and Molecular Biology   *GROUP B: Physical, Engineering and Computer Sciences*   * Physics and Astronomy * Earth Sciences and Chemistry * Engineering * Computer Sciences, Mathematics and Statistics   *GROUP C: Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences*   * Language, Literature and History * Philosophy, Theology and Law * History, Theory and Practice of the Creative and Performing Arts * Economics, Social Sciences and Other   *GROUP D: Business, Public Service and Communications*   * Media and Communications * Professional, Educational and Public Sector Leadership * Private Sector Leadership |
| **Career History\*** | Please provide job title, organisation, date from and to and a brief description of your main role, responsibilities and achievements for each position  List by most recent position first |
| **Degree(s)** | Title in full, year, subject, place of award |
| **Professional Qualifications**  **/ Membership of Professional Bodies** |  |
| **Do you consider your primary role to sit within:** | * Academia * Private sector * Charity * Other (please specify below) |
| **SECTION 2: Personal Statement** | |
| **Personal Statement\*** | Describe your motivations for wishing to join the UK Young Academy  *(maximum 500 words)* |
| **Please provide evidence of leadership, responsibility and recognition within your main area of work\*** | *(maximum 500 words)* |
| **Please provide evidence of interests, contributions or recognition outside your main area of work\*** | E.g. cross-disciplinary activities, public and charitable service, outreach/public engagement.  *(maximum 500 words)* |
| **SECTION 3: Your vision and commitment to the UK Young Academy** | |
| **Provide a web link to a short video outlining:**   * **A topic, issue or subject area that interests you, that could be an area for consideration for the UK Young Academy’s work programme?\*** | Videos should be no longer than 3 minutes in length. Please note, applications containing videos over this time limit may be deemed ineligible.  Submitted videos do not need to be a polished product and can be simply filmed using your smart phone or tablet. However, please ensure your image is clear and the sound is audible.  If you are unable or uncomfortable to complete the video as part of your submission, we do offer alternatives for this part of the application process. Please get in touch with us at [enquiries@ukyoungacademy.org](mailto:enquiries@ukyoungacademy.org) to discuss how we can best support you in your application.  Read our [guidance on how to make a good video](https://ukyoungacademy.org/membership/applying#guidance) for more information. |
| **If your video link is password protected, please state the password** | We would recommend uploading your video as unlisted (so it is not publicly accessible) and without a password if possible. |
| **What do you think the UK Young Academy should prioritise in its first year and why?\*** | (maximum 300 words) |
| **We are looking for active UK Young Academy members. If selected, how will you prioritise your commitment to the UK Young Academy and its work programmes?\*** | (maximum 300 words) |
| **Please indicate you can commit the minimum time commitment to the UK Young Academy\*** | (Typically 4-5 hours/month)   * I can accommodate the minimum time commitment required to engage in the UK Young Academy activities |
| Note, successful applicants will be invited to attend a New Members Induction Meeting on 24 - 25 January 2023 in London. | |
| **SECTION 4: Referees** | |
| Please specify the names and email addresses of two referees who have agreed to support your application.  Your referees should be professionals who are familiar with your area of activity and your achievements and can provide an unbiased insight into your ability to engage and deliver on commitments beyond your sole professional activity.  Referees will need to submit their supporting statements by the application closing date, and it is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure this part of the process has been completed. We strongly recommend that you approach your nominated referees before submitting your application as they will be notified automatically following submission of your completed application form. | |
| **Referee 1 Name\*** |  |
| **Referee 1 Email address\*** |  |
| **Referee 2 Name\*** |  |
| **Referee 2 Email address\*** |  |
| **SECTION 5: Marketing** | |
| **How did you find out about the UK Young Academy?** | * UK Young Academy website * Email newsletter * Search engine e.g Google * Social media   + Twitter   + LinkedIn   + Other social channels * Word of mouth * Press coverage * Other national Young Academy * Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Diversity monitoring** | |
| The UK Young Academy is working to create an inclusive environment for everyone involved in our work. With your help, we will be able to better understand the diversity of people who are applying for membership which will help us to identify areas of underrepresentation and address potential barriers.  Completing this short survey will help us achieve this. You can choose ‘prefer not to say’ for any of the questions.  Your answers will be treated in the strictest confidence, and in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation. Responses will be pseudonymised for reporting and will not be used for any purpose other than for the monitoring and evaluation of the UK Young Academy’s activities.  **This information will be collected and stored separately from the rest of your application and will not be visible to those involved in the selection process, including referees.** | |
| **Date of birth** | DD/MM/YYYY   * Prefer not to say |
| **What best describes your gender?** | * Female * Male * Other gender * Prefer not to say |
| **Is the gender the same as you were assigned at birth?** | * Yes * No * Prefer not to say |
| **Do you consider yourself to have a disability?** | *For the purposes of this survey, ‘disability’ includes physical and mental health conditions and illnesses and learning differences.*   * Yes * No * Prefer not to say |
| **What is your ethnic group?** | Asian or Asian British   * Bangladeshi * Chinese * Indian * Pakistani * Other Asian background   Black or Black British   * African * Caribbean * Any other Black, Black British or Caribbean background   Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups   * White and Asian * White and Black African * White and Black Caribbean * Any other Mixed or Multiple ethnic background   White   * English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British * Gypsy or Irish Traveller * Irish * Roma * Any other White background   Other ethnic group   * Arab * Other ethnic group * Prefer not to say |
| **What is your nationality?** | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   * Prefer not to say |
| **What is your religion?** | * No religion * Buddhist * Christian\* * Hindu * Jewish * Muslim * Sikh * Other religion * Prefer not to say   \* including Church of England, Catholic, Protestant and all other Christian denominations |
| **Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?** | * Bisexual * Gay or lesbian * Heterosexual or straight * Other sexual orientation * Prefer not to say |
| **Confirmation** | |
|  | * I confirm that the information provided within this application form is accurate and up to date to the best of my knowledge.\* |