

# NEWSLETTER

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## GRADUATION CEREMONY / November 2015

This year's Graduation Ceremony took place at Redbridge Town Hall on the 28th October attended by over 300 people.

Those in attendance included Paul Greaves (Chair of Board of Governance), Nazim Uddin (Head of Quality Assurance), Athiqul Islam (Director), Shiraj Islam (Director), Margaret Amakawah (Programme Leader Hospitality Management)

and student representative Charles Kasombo.

Speeches of introduction were given by Paul Greaves and Charles Kasombo. This was followed by presentation of awards by Chris Davies (Lecturer Hospitality Management) and Yasmin (Admin Officer) to students from the following intakes:

Business – October 2012, May 2013

and September 2013 intakes

Hospitality – November 2012, May 2013 and September 2013 intakes

In total, more than 75 awards were made to individual students from these programmes.

A closing speech was made by Nazim Uddin (Head of Quality Assurance).

Everyone then sat down to dinner.

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## EXTERNAL VISITS

On 16th December 2015 Nelson College London was visited by the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA), an Annual Monitoring Review was carried out. The College will be receiving the results of the review shortly.

Pearson will be visiting the College on the 14th and 21st March 2016 in order to conduct an Academic Management Review. The purpose of this Review is to ensure that the College is managing higher level provision in line with national standards

Pearson will also be conducting External Examiner Visits on the 4th and 26th May 2016, the visit is carried out to make sure assessment processes are followed through as per Pearson standards.

## BOARD OF GOVERNANCE CHANGES

Nelson College London would like to welcome two new members to the Board of Governance, Sarah Ryan and Coral Hill.

Sarah Ryan has a BA in Economics from Duke University and an MBA with honours in Finance from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. She has a background in mergers & acquisitions, investment banking and corporate strategy and has worked in dozens of countries around the world. She consults to leading educational institutions in the US and the UK and manages a property portfolio.

Coral Hill initially worked



as a litigator in private practice, before moving to The University of Law. The major part of her career has been devoted to the development of distance learning and e-learning materials for aspiring and qualified lawyers. Coral is an external governor of Heriot-Watt University in Edinburgh, an academic advisor on the Development and Equality Committee and the e-Learning Committee of the Judicial College, and sits on the board of the charity Career Ready UK.

### Did you know?



Did you know that your summative assignment feedback can be viewed online on your VLE account. For more information please contact your personal tutor/lecturers.

## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

If you would like to take part in any of the workshops, please visit <http://nclvle.co.uk> to look up dates for your chosen workshop and register



### VLE and Turnitin Essentials

The Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) and Turnitin are two of the most fundamental pieces of software you will use at Nelson College London.

#### VLE Essentials

4th February 2016

#### Turnitin Essentials

2nd & 10th March 2016

Venue: Gants Hill Building  
Commercial House, Eastern Ave.



### Using Windows 7: The Basics

Are you anxious about having to use a computer for your studies? Come to our workshop and learn the basic and essential skills you will need to use and navigate Windows 7.

**Date:** 25th February 2016

Venue: Gants Hill Building  
Commercial House, Eastern Ave.



### Using Microsoft Office

Come to our workshop and learn several of the packages of the Microsoft Office Suite, along with many tricks and techniques to help you produce work to the highest standard.

**Date:** 16th March 2016

Venue: Gants Hill Building  
Commercial House, Eastern Ave.

## Graduation Ceremony

# PHOTO GALLERY



## TRIP TO SPAIN

24 students and 4 staff flew to Malaga in Spain on the 8th November for four days sightseeing and familiarising themselves with the culture of Spain. They toured the town and visited Mijas Village with its wine festival, historic buildings and landmarks, Puerto Banus beach for swimming in the Mediterranean, Tivoli World Theme Park where they took a cable car 500 feet up the side of a mountain, and took a boat cruise around the Mediterranean to see dolphins and other sea creatures, and also to enjoy some fishing. An enjoyable and relaxing time was had by all. The party flew back on the 12th November to enjoy London's warm, sunny autumn climate.



# COOK AWAY AND ROOM DIVISION COMPETITION



This year's Cook Away and Room Division Competitions took place in Exmouth Devon from 13th to 15th October. A party of 44 students, staff and teachers travelled down to Exmouth to take part. The Cook Away Competition involved designing a recipe and then cooking the meal. These were judged by Margaret Amankwah (Programme Leader Hospitality Management), Chris Davies (Hospitality Lecturer) and a chef from the Spice Lounge restaurant.

The Room Division involved cleaning, presentation and ideas for improvements in the layout of the hotel rooms. The judges were Chris Davies, Margaret Amankwah and the General Manager of the Devon Court Hotel.

Our party arrived on the evening of the 13th which allowed some time for sightseeing and relaxing before the competition began on the next day. At 10am the Room Division

contestants began their work which was judged at 12 noon. In the afternoon, the Cook Away contestants began preparing their meals for the judges to sample. The results of both competitions were announced by Ifti Ahmed at the celebratory dinner that evening.

The results of the Room Division were as follows:

1st - Mark Anthony Paterson, Mbote-MingiKimpangi

2nd - Anisoara Tofan, Sorina Ana Turcitu, Luminita Elena Agache, Monica-MihaelaDemian

3rd - SurayaTahmina Jui

The Cook Away results were as follows:

1stLuminita Elena Agache

2ndAnisoaraTofan

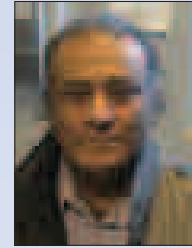
3rd Abdul Mozid

# PREVENT DUTY PRESENTATIONS



Professor Geoffrey Alderman, the Principal, delivered several presentations over the last term on the Colleges' Prevent strategy under the 2015 Counter Terrorism Act. The purpose was to raise awareness amongst staff and students about non violent extremism.

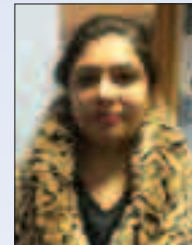
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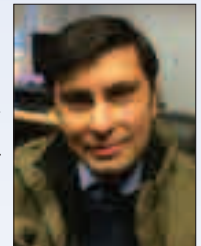
**Hassan Mahmood**  
Visiting Lecturer



**Kaviraj Santayana**  
Visiting Lecturer



**Maleeha Ashraf**  
Visiting Lecturer



**Muhammad Kamran**  
Visiting Lecturer



**Rajibul Hasan**  
Visiting Lecturer



**Sheraz Malik**  
Visiting Lecturer



**Zainab Mahzar**  
Student Support Lecturer

# Educational Magazine Subscriptions

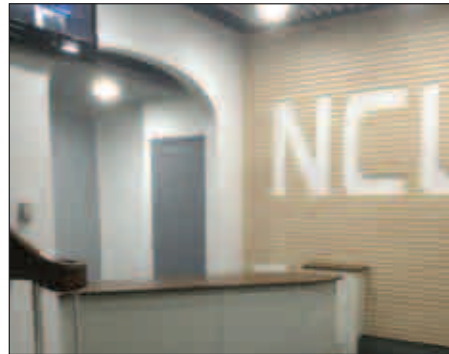
Nelson College London is subscribed to the following magazines/journals which are available for students in different formats as presented in the table below.

Magazine	Paper	Soft copy	Ilford	Gants Hill
The Economist	✓		✓	✓
Financial Times	✓			✓
Cost Sector		✓		✓
The Caterer	✓			✓
Hospitality Today	✓		✓	✓
Money Week	✓		✓	✓

Further resources are available on Emerald Insight ([www.emeraldinsight.com](http://www.emeraldinsight.com)). This website when accessed from both Ilford and GantsHill sites contains more journals that can be used.

## The second phase of improvements to the Gants Hill Building is now complete.

Improvements have been made to the basement and reception area.'



**NCL Tours**  
Nelson College London

### Placements for Students

Are you studying for a HND in Business and Hospitality?  
Do you want to gain some hands-on industry experience that you can put on your CV?

And each placement includes:

- ✓ Training by (Senior) Professionals & MAs
- ✓ £1000 per month
- ✓ A possible job offer
- ✓ FREE travel insurance & 24hr helpline service

Apply for a 12 week placement at NCL Tours and gain experience working with a travel agency. We have placements in the following positions:

- MARKETING OFFICER
- PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER
- DIRECT MARKETING OFFICER

If you are interested in applying for one of these placements, please visit the reception of Nelson College London and complete the work placement request form. Alternatively, send a cover letter including your college ID and a CV to [jobs@ncltours.co.uk](mailto:jobs@ncltours.co.uk). We will contact short listed students for an interview.

[www.ncltours.co.uk](http://www.ncltours.co.uk) | 0208 900 1624 | [customer.service@ncltours.co.uk](mailto:customer.service@ncltours.co.uk)  
HOLIDAYS, FLIGHTS, CRUISES, EUROSTAR, GROUP TOURS, EVENT TICKETS, ATTRACTIONS, TRANSFERS & CAR HIRE

## STUDENT VIEWS MATTER

Since the last few Student Representatives Committee meetings at Ilford, there has been some progress on the points that Student Representatives raised. **Action points:**

- 1) To ensure the fast track building work of library in Gants Hill campus. The Learning Resource Centre is now completed and open for students to use based in the Gants Hill campus
- 2) Invite external guest speakers to address the students (workshops / seminars). An external CV writing workshop was held last term and there are plans to hold more this term.
- 3) To work with students together to run the 'Courtesy and Consideration' Campaign. Academic Administrator, Tanzina Islam, worked alongside a few student representatives in order to compile a set of rules for the 'Courtesy and Consideration' Campaign. Posters are placed in each classroom and can also be viewed on VLE.
- 4) Student representative to be a part of the induction delivery team. Two student representatives, Farhana Patel and Asma Amjad, delivered a presentation on the 'Courtesy and Consideration' Campaign during the September 2015 intake induction.

**Did you know?**

Pass

Merit

Distinction

Did you know that as a consequence of late assignment submissions, merit and distinction grades are capped to a pass. This will affect your overall grade, subsequently risking the possibility of not being accepted at a University of your choice.