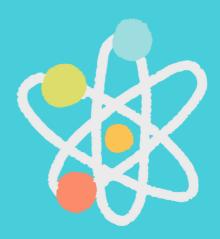
IoPPN Youth Awards 2022

Evaluation Report



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About the IoPPN Youth Awards 2022

The Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neurscience (IoPPN) has offered various Youth Awards since 2013 that aim to encourage young people from the local area to stay in higher education and develop a career in science, technology, engineering or maths (STEM)

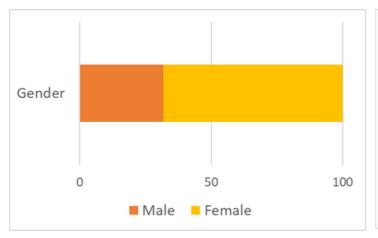
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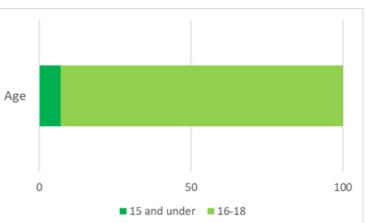
- Biostatistics and Health Informatics
- Biomedical Research
- Neuroimaging
- Psychology
- Social, Genetic, Developmental Psychiatry Centre
- Women's Mental Health

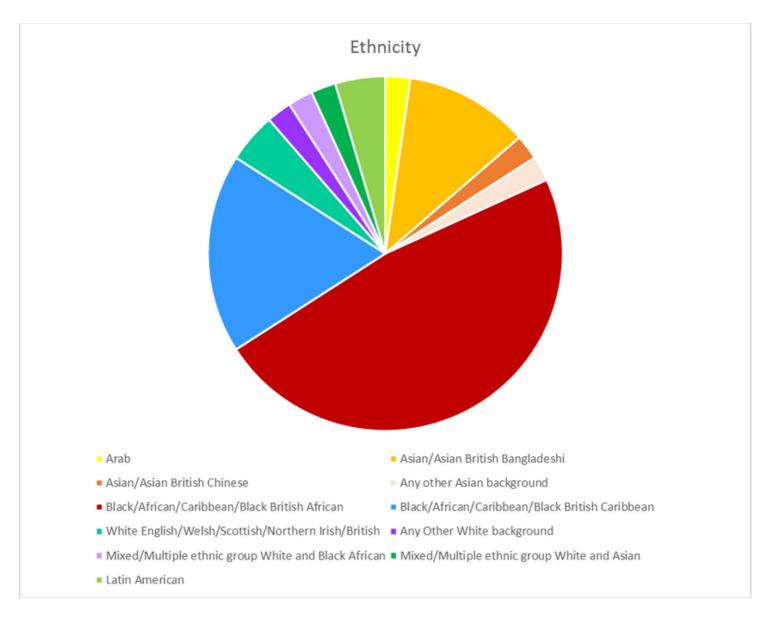
Successful applicants participated in work experience in one of departments outlined above between July-September 2022. In addition to covering materials relevant to the department, workshops covered topics such as introduction to university, academia and research, as well as science communication, Q&A with academics and health professionals. Successful applicants were awarded with £50 book youchers.



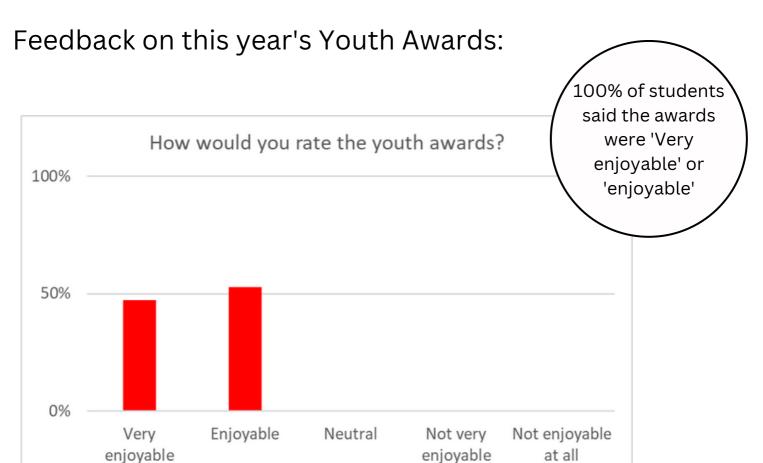
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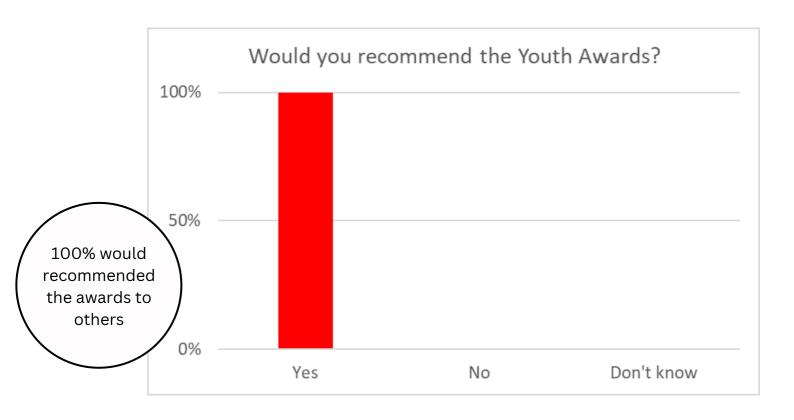






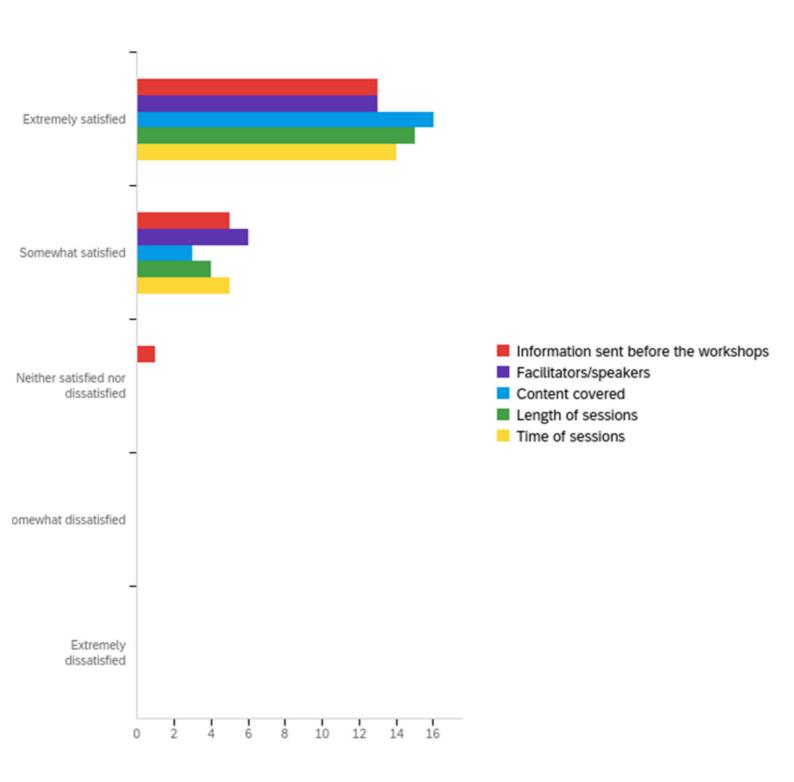








Feedback on this year's Youth Awards: Satisfaction with...





Feedback on this year's Youth Awards: Positive feedback

You get to discuss topics and ideas with other people who you can tell are really interested in the same subject area as you. You get to experience being on a university campus and a mini taste of lectures and seminars.

It's brilliant because we got to interact with real professionals who were specialist in their field.

Everyone was friendly and it was very informative as well as interactive. All of my questions were answered with detailed explanations. I was also able to see professionals who I could relate Who came from similar backgrounds like me.

Opened my eyes out to different things. Many practical activities

The engaging lectures and kind hearted speakers.

Being able to speak to many professionals enabled me to gain both information about certain career paths and lessen some of the worries I had about my future studies. Another good thing would be the activities that I participated in as I wouldn't have been able to do them otherwise e.g EEG scans, a creativity workshop and watching and MRI scan being performed.

Opportunity to widen your knowledge and understand more about university life

Meeting other people, from different part of their careers, people coming in talking about their careers, the egg session, meeting Wakaho, the zoom meetings, the professors, the egg, meeting some of friends and speaking to them during lunch

You learn and explore many new things that you typically wouldn't be exposed to. You expand your social network with many successful professionals.

I got to meet lots of different people and ask them lots of people. I felt the section embodied part of what I'd like to do in the future which I really enjoyed

I liked the lecture and seminar on Autism, and I also liked the cognitive psychology demonstration.

I liked who I got a taster of what it would be like in the university and I liked how detailed it was in a short amount of time and the amount of people here

It was very interactive and easy to understand

NB: Data collected from voluntary feedback forms (N = 19)



Feedback on this year's Youth Awards: How to improve

More information about previous studies, ie Twin studies.

One thing that could be done to improve the Youth Awards is the length, I would've preferred it to be slightly longer.

Make sure the cards/badges work have more information on applying through/to Kings

Maybe a longer date for example 10-4 and for a longer period of time like 4 days because it was so enjoyable.

Make it more engaging.

Most of the time it's the instructors speaking and the students listening so it can get tiring to listen for long periods of time.

I wish it was longer, spent more time at King's since I thought 3 days was quite short

Maybe a tour of the building would be fun



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