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Alumni Focus: Mabast

I completed my A-Levels at BDA in 2016, studying Maths, Further Maths and Physics. During this time, I was also a Jiu Jitsu athlete and had a promising athletic career. Due to this and the fact that I had no career and academic aspirations, I considered leaving education in Year 12. It was during this period where I experienced vast amounts of support and guidance from the staff at BDA. I was able to consult with my teachers about this and they helped me evaluate my decision and also look at what opportunities I had.

Physics particularly interested me and my teachers helped me to apply and pass the exams for the Senior Physics challenge which was a 1-week rigorous challenge at Cambridge University, where 50 students were selected across the country. It was this experience which made me realise I had a passion for Physics. What I was able to take away was to always seek to follow my interests and to expose myself to all opportunities. With this in mind I was able to go onto study Physics at Imperial College London. During the final year of my degree I became interested in Finance and I managed to secure a summer internship in trading at Morgan Stanley. I successfully received an offer to start full time in July 2020, however to support my career aspirations I am currently undertaking a Masters in Computational Finance at UCL.



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