TERMS & CONDITIONS

Save Our Ocean, Protect Our Future - Competition

- The University of Bolton is sponsoring two students to visit Lisbon, in the context of the 2022 United Nations Ocean Conference ('UNOC') in Lisbon, Portugal. The competition is open to all current students studying at our main campus in Bolton, Regent College and Shockout Arts regardless of the programme they are studying.
- 2) You must be aged 18 or over. If you are not, you must have the permission of your parent or guardian to participate in this promotion. By participating, you confirm that you have obtained such permission; applicants over 16 but under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- 3) You are not permitted to enter if you are our employee or their direct family member or agent, or if you are otherwise associated with the competition.
- 4) You must agree to and comply with these terms and conditions. Submission of an entry will be deemed acceptance of these terms and conditions. If you do not agree and/or comply you will not be eligible to participate and will be disqualified.
- 5) Anyone entering the competition must do so individually and the work must be original work by the entrant and undertaken personally.
- 6) There is a choice of two different styles of entry:
 - a) An essay, entries must be written in English, a maximum of 1000 words in double-space format, using the Times New Roman font, size 12pt.
 - b) An A1 poster submission accompanied by a 250-word commentary to discuss the points that have been raised in the poster. The 250-word commentary must be in English, double-space format, using the Times New Roman font, size 12pt.

All submissions must be sent in PDF format by email to <u>P.A.Foster@bolton.ac.uk</u> and received by **midnight on Thursday 31st March 2022**. Late entries will not be accepted.

- 7) The winning entrants of the competition will be announced on Thursday 28th April at the "Save Our Ocean, Protect Our Future" conference taking place at the University of Bolton. The judges' decision is final and not subject to appeal. No correspondence will be entered into.
- 8) The two winners of the competition must be prepared to say a few words of thanks and to give a presentation in full or provide a brief summary of their winning submission at the conference taking place at the University of Bolton. The winners will not be required to give any presentations or undertake public speaking at the United Nations Ocean Conference in Lisbon.
- 9) All essays/ presentations that are entered for the competition will be published in a special digital programme.
- 10) All participants will receive a certificate signed by the President & Vice Chancellor of the University and the Consul General of Portugal in Manchester.
- 11) All participants will be awarded enrichment hours towards the completion of the Bolton Award.

- 12) The competition prizes awarded will only cover the two individuals who win the competition. This prize is not transferable nor exchangeable in cash or may be substituted for other benefits, items or additions.
- 13) Please be aware that the University of Bolton is committed to supporting students with additional needs related to their disability. If you win the competition, the University will endeavour to provide reasonable adjustments for your trip as appropriate. There may be elements of disability support for the trip that may fall outside of the responsibility of the University or that the University is unable to provide. If you are the winner and have a registered disability, please speak with a member of the Disability Team for further information on what support may be available. The programme prepared by the Consulate General of Portugal in Manchester will accommodate students with additional needs related to their disability.
- 14) The two winners attending the UNOC in Lisbon will be required to be in Portugal for three days during the period from the 26th of July until the 1st of July 2022.
- 15) Travel, accommodation and meals at the hotel will be provided for the two competition winners. The arrangements will be made by the Student Experience Office.
- 16) An allowance of 200 Euros will be given to each winner to cover any expenses in addition to those set out in point 15.
- 17) It is important for all entrants to carefully read the marking criteria documentation. Regardless of whether you choose to write an essay or choose to produce an A1 poster/ commentary, entrants are expected to provide a balanced answer which covers equally all three questions mentioned in the topic title.
- 18) Should you have any questions regarding COVID-19 then please contact: <u>studentlife@bolton.ac.uk</u>.
- 19) It is a condition of entry that you should attend the conference held on campus on the 28th of April and if you will not be able to make it to the event at the University, you will not be eligible to receive the prize if your entry is chosen.
- 20) If you plan to attend the University of Bolton conference but cannot do so because of legitimate unexpected reasons beyond your control, please contact: <u>studentlife@bolton.ac.uk</u>.
- 21) Please note, if the United Nations Ocean Conference cannot take place or is delayed due to circumstances beyond the control of the University, including (without limitation) fire, explosion, terrorist act (or threat of terrorist act), act of God, COVID-19, pandemic, or as a result of any industrial action or dispute involving the University, or at the venue where the conference is due to take place, the University will not be liable for any losses direct, or otherwise, incurred by students. The University will, where at all possible, make alternative arrangements for any students affected.
- 22) The University will not be responsible or liable for any costs, problems, damage or loss of whatsoever nature to the entrants resulting from their participation in the competition.
- 23) By entering, the entrants, including the winners, agree to allow the free use of their names, photographs for publicity and news purposes during the competition.
- 24) Use of personal data received by the University in the course of the competition is subject to current UK data protection legislation. The winner's names may be published on the University website.

- 25) Disqualification: We reserve the right to refuse to award the prize or disqualify an entrant where there are reasonable grounds to believe there has been a breach of these terms and conditions or otherwise where an entrant has gained unfair advantage in participating in this competition or won using fraudulent means. Any form of plagiarism will result in automatic disqualification. It is the responsibility of the entrant to ensure that their essay does not infringe the copyright of any third party or any other laws. Late or incomplete entries which do not satisfy these terms and conditions will be disqualified and not be entered into the competition.
- 26) Law: These terms and condition are governed by the laws of England and Wales and by submitting an entry entrants submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.