

## Academic Extension Task

## Introduction:

You have been allocated to the Life Sciences (supervised by the Biology and Chemistry departments) group for your academic extension work.

Please choose and engage with one of the options outlined below. We hope these ideas provide you with flexibility and the scope for you to shape the project as you wish. However, if you have thought of something different you wish to pursue instead, please do contact us (Dr Boddy or Mr Mallard).

Your supervisor's role will be to provide a critical ear throughout the project. Your supervisor will take an interest in what you are doing and will be ready to hear about what you have learned and what you plan to do next. At the end of the course your supervisor will provide you with some feedback on your work. However, you will be the expert in the field: your supervisor will be learning about your chosen topic from you!

You may request, if you wish, to swap to the Maths and Physical Sciences group, either studying Maths for Engineering topics (if you have studied A level Maths but not Further Maths, offered by the Maths Department) or for an Introduction to Coding (offered by the Physics Department) as long as they still have space.

**The final piece of work:** Your final "artefact" (e.g. journal-style article, presentation, video lesson, podcast, scientific poster) will almost certainly evolve and develop throughout your study and you can agree the details with your own supervisor in due course. However, all students will be asked to submit a reflective **learning log** as part of the assessment.

**Options** (for more details, follow the links):

- 1. Podcast Review + Research
- 2. <u>Vet Scenarios</u>
- 3. Covid-19: topics for discussion
- 4. Open University or Futurelearn Short Course
- 5. Transfer to Maths group (only available for A level mathematicians who didn't study further maths; space permitting)
- 6. Transfer to Coding group (space permitting)

**Selecting your choices:** Please complete this <u>google form</u> no later than Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 6 pm. We will then allocate supervisors and your supervisor will be in touch with you within a few days.