

"Ask Our Alum"

Many of our students and Alumni often say "if I could just ask" so why can't we make that happen?

"Ask Our Alum" is a tool that could make reaching out easier and make links with industries and with members of our community that currently and have worked in many different areas during their journey since leaving YSJ.

How you can help:

The objective is to give our current students and alumni community an opportunity to reach out to Industry Alumni in order for them to ask a question to an industry professional, they may be seeking advice/guidance/industry support.

We understand that everyone has busy lives and although many of Alum would love to give up their time to mentoring an individual face to face the commitment is just too time consuming.

This initiative would allow access to our current students & Alumni to tap into invaluable industry knowledge, without you having to commit to dedicated time.

This process means that if an Alum is willing and has agreed to be contacted by the Alumni office on behalf of a student/alumni we can help connect people, in order for them to ask those questions that may assist them and widen their knowledge base, gain industry insight and develop a network base. Meaning people are able to give back without taking up large amounts of their personal time, giving back and supporting in a way that works for both parties.

It's essentially a quick way to connect and gain knowledge but with no long-term commitment, training or preparation needed to participate.

How it works:

- You just need to complete a <u>Snap Shot</u> and consent to being part of the Ask Our Alum project. Some of you may of already done this and If so, please just email the Alumni office (<u>alumni@yorksj.ac.uk</u>) confirming you are happy to be added to the initiative.
- Your completed snapshots will then be placed on our <u>YSJ Aluminations</u> pages under the heading 'Ask Our Alum' (top of the page). Within the profile there will be an "Ask Our Alum" link, which is the link that enables the student/alum to submit their questions.
- If a student or Alum wished to ask a question about your industry or journey, they would click on the 'Ask Our Alum a question' link and complete a simple form allowing them the opportunity to ask their question, outlining the objective and who they are also. This will be able to guide you better in your response.
- This is submitted to the Alumni team for review. Once reviewed the question would be forwarded onto you for response.

- You would then reply to the Alumni Office. Once you had replied we would then forward the reply on.
- As stated above, the alumni office initiates contact, your contact details would not be shared. The only time contact details could be shared with student/Alumni member, is if both parties wished to continue the connection and gave full permissions, and this would be done in accordance to GDPR regulations.

For further details or if you have any queries, please contact the Alumni Team (alumni@yorksj.ac.uk. T: 01904 876741)

Integrated links

Alumni Snap Shots https://www.yorksj.ac.uk/alumni/alumni-community/submit-a-snapshot/

YSJ Aluminations https://blog.yorksj.ac.uk/alumination/category/ysj-snapshots/

