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From training and funding opportunities to the latest news and events, here are some of the ways in which you can get involved with societal engagement:

- Engagement news and events
- External opportunities and resources

Hear about Imperial's Inaugural Engagement Day

On 20 June, the College hosted a one-day session on engagement best practice, featuring keynote speaker Clare Matterson, Director of Engagement at the Natural History Museum. Discover more here.

"Exceeded my expectations! Thanks for the inspiring talks and for reminding us why what we do matters." - Feedback received

News and events
Creating a universal science language

In this recent blog post, Dr Neil Dufton reflects on what he learnt at Imperial's Engagement Academy and how he applied these new skills to deliver "I Cell" to over 300 visitors at the 2018 Imperial Festival.

Empowering women in the White City community

Imperial and local partners launch the pioneering Agents for Change women's community-based leadership programme. Find out how you can support the programme here.

Quick tips: using social media to engage the public in your research

Read about how to measure digital engagement the right way to inform your project as it develops.

Take part in an Imperial Fringe

The Imperial Fringe series returns for the 2018/19 academic year, with evenings themed around Green Tech, Infection, Maths, Fashion, and Women@Imperial. Whether you are keen to inspire, or gain new perspectives on your research, Fringe events are a great way to take your work out of the lab and in front of new audiences. Register your interest here.
Join Imperial’s second Engagement Academy

After the success of our first seven-month Engagement Academy, we will be launching the programme again for 2018-19. Applications will open at the start of August. Hear from those who completed the 2017-18 programme in this short video.

Raising awareness of HIV stigma

Scientists, designers and young people living with HIV join forces to create a garden at this year’s RHS Chelsea Flower Show to raise awareness of HIV: stigma and cure.

Applications opening soon: Societal Engagement Seed Fund

Applications for the 2018 Societal Engagement Seed Fund will open on 13 September and will close on 1 November. Take a look at the successful projects from last year for inspiration.

The President’s Awards for Excellence in Societal Engagement

Find out about this year’s award recipients in this recent news story. You can also read more about the Societal Engagement awards here.
Get involved: What the Tech?! community-based programme

What the Tech?! offers weekly free drop-in sessions for elderly residents living in the Edward Woods Estate to get to grips with technology. The Business School are offering training on 19 September between 12pm-2pm for those interested in getting involved. Contact Julia McShane to register your interest.

Open for business: Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) Café

Imperial researchers team up with patients and members of the public to launch the Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) Café at the 2018 Imperial Festival. Find out more.

Boosting local enterprise at White City

Read this recent news story to discover how the Imperial White City Incubator is supporting local people to explore their business ideas.
External engagement opportunities and resources

- This year's Engage Conference will take place in Edinburgh on Thursday 29th and Friday 30th of November 2018. Tickets available shortly - and they typically sell out fast!

- The Pathological Society's Public Engagement Scheme awards a maximum of £3,000 per application to support activities related to the promotion of public awareness and understanding of pathology. The next deadline will be 1 September 2018.

- Exhibit your work at the Royal Society's Summer Science Exhibition in 2019 - applications for the 2019 exhibition are now open and will close on 7 September 2018.

- Royal Society of Chemistry's Outreach Fund offers small and large grants, with rolling deadlines throughout the year. The next deadline for large grants between £2,000 and £10,000 will be 10 September 2018.

- The Biochemical Society's Scientific Outreach Grants offer small grants (up to £1,000) twice a year to support scientific outreach activities that communicate the excitement of molecular bio-science to young people and the community. Applications for the next round are now open and will close midday on 24 September 2018.

- The British Society for Immunology's 'Communicating Immunology' Grants offer small grants awarded quarterly worth up to a maximum of £1,000. The next deadline will be 1 October 2018.
• The Royal Academy of Engineering's *Ingenious* public engagement grant scheme is now open for applications. Apply now for funding between £3,000 - £30,000. Closing date for applications is 1 October 2018.

Find out about more funding resources and engagement opportunities and events.

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