



Giving back to Middlesex University



Alumni
Association



You spoke and we listened

We asked for your feedback about the Alumni Association. We had over 6,000 responses and over 80% of alumni surveyed said they wanted to give back to Middlesex in one way or another.

Top of your list was that you wanted to give back to current students – sharing your knowledge and experience to support them through their studies – so you'll find several ways you can do so in this guide.

You also told us you wanted to make the most of our global professional network of over 190,000 alumni across over 180 countries, so we've included ways you can connect with and give back to your fellow alumni.

Raising the profile of Middlesex and celebrating the success of our alumni was also high on your wish list – so there are several ways to do this, too.

Find out how you can get involved, no matter where you are in the world or how much time you can commit.



Provide career support for students and graduates

Give career support by offering graduate jobs, internships and work placements

Connect with the best candidates, give students a head start before they graduate and secure some of the best talent by hosting a placement. Our careers team, MDXworks, can guide you through the process and help you understand the expectations, or promote your placement or internship opportunity to students, recent graduates and your fellow alumni.

“ What have I enjoyed about my placement? ...Everything! My supervisor is a very experienced and knowledgeable woodland ranger, who has given me a true insight into woodland management within the UK which will really help with my future career prospects.

Samantha, third year BSc Biology undergraduate/Woodland Conservationist at Essex Wildlife Trust

Share your expertise as a guest speaker or expert commentator

You told us that you wanted to be involved in informing teaching and working with students. You'll help to shape the future of education at Middlesex by connecting with academics to inform teaching and module programme content, or be part of one of our panels that provides insight into the industry, profession or creative field that you work in while connecting with others at the top of their game.



Encourage students to be part of your business at a careers fair

If you want to showcase your business to our students and inspire them to join your organisation then take part in one of our careers fairs at our amazing London campus. Some are industry specific and others attract students from across a range of different disciplines.

If you're interested in exhibiting your business at a fair we'll put you in touch with MDXworks who will discuss how they can support you, from planning any individual requirements to helping you connect with a particular audience.

“ We enjoyed spending the day with the students. A very rewarding experience for us as well.

Guan Zhen Tan, Security Division, Goldman Sachs International

Mentor a current student or recent graduate in their career

You told us you were interested in supporting our current students and recent graduates with their careers. The MyMentor programme will provide you with the opportunity to share knowledge, inspire and guide our students as they navigate their own careers.

As well as the chance to reflect on your own career, you'll also enhance your confidence and develop your leadership skills. You'll be challenged to stay at the top of your game by a mentee asking questions about the industry, profession or field you work in, and you'll learn about the latest thinking in your area from students.

We ask for a time commitment of one to two hours a month and you'll have the opportunity to help a student starting out on, or embarking on, a career change.



Inspire the next generation of Middlesex University students

Help with student recruitment events by assisting at open days or fairs

Share your passion for Middlesex with prospective students by volunteering at one of our Open Days or recruitment fairs. You'll be speaking to our future generations of students, not only building your confidence skills but also giving you the chance to reconnect with us.

You'll learn about the courses currently on offer to students, the latest teaching methods and technology in different subject areas, and have the chance to speak to our diverse student population.

Speak or assist at our local school events

If you're interested in building your own presentation and communication skills whilst interacting with numerous young learners who are keen to shape their futures for the better, then get involved at one of our events for local schools. We have close links with schools and colleges to inspire and encourage these young people to consider higher education as a viable and worthwhile option. If you opt to assist at one of these events you might deliver presentations or workshops, or you could simply help us to ensure the day runs smoothly.

Share your alumni story

You said that you wanted to celebrate and promote success stories among the alumni community, so we've developed our new alumni profile page and form to make it easier for you to do so.

Share your story to help us continue to build pride in our institution and inspire current students. We'll promote your story across our alumni social channels with our **#MadeinMiddlesex**, so you're not just raising the profile of Middlesex but your own profile, too! Featured alumni stories also highlight the varied and exciting career paths our alumni go on to follow after graduating.

Make a difference financially

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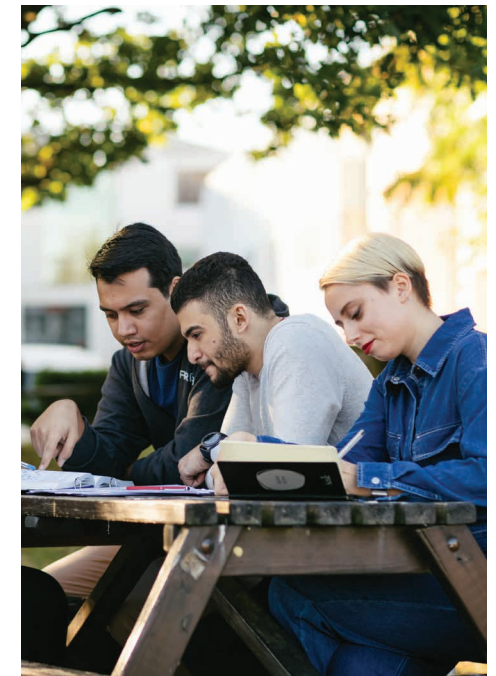
Supporting Middlesex financially also appealed to you, so we're pleased to say that there are several ways that you can give back. From granting scholarships for talented students, supporting research excellence, alleviating student hardship and making a difference to almost any aspect of student life you would like to, you can give a donation or leave a legacy.

Your support allows us to continue to provide world-class and life-changing education to students, no matter what their background is.

We also have our very own crowdfunding platform called MDXCrowdfund. This platform connects you with some of the exceptional student and staff creativity, innovation, entrepreneurialism, and practice-based learning that takes place here on a daily basis.

Become an alumni ambassador

Re-engage with Middlesex, build on your skills and experience in a variety of ways, and grow your own social and professional networks. As an ambassador there are many ways you could be involved, from acting as a point of contact for prospective students answering questions on the University and student life, to helping to organise activities or events online and offline for other alumni to network and foster new and existing contacts. You'll help alumni to enhance their relationship with the University, and encourage goodwill and a sense of 'giving back'.





Join our LinkedIn or Facebook group

Only got a minute then you can still stay engaged with the following:

 @MDX_Alumni

 [linkedin.com/in/mdxalumni](https://www.linkedin.com/in/mdxalumni)

 [facebook.com/MDXAlumniAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/MDXAlumniAssociation)

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No matter where you are in the world or how much time you can give, let us know how you would like to get involved by visiting mdx.ac.uk/givingback



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Alternatively, update your preferences online by logging in to **myAlumniHub** and opting in on the 'Giving Back to Middlesex' page.