



THE **FuQueroSer** YEAR

PROGRAMME PROGRESS REPORT

JUNE 2018

**"BEFORE UMRIO, I DIDN'T BELIEVE I COULD ACHIEVE. UMRIO HAS GIVEN ME PURPOSE,
AND THE CONFIDENCE I NEEDED TO PURSUE MY DREAMS"**

- **Matheus Oliveira**, 19 years old, Dark Blue

SUMMARY

June has been a very busy month at UmRio, defined by visits from the Oxford University Rugby Captain and Newcastle Falcons Centre Dominic Waldouck, and our partners from TUDO BEM, a KEDGE Business School project.

DEVELOPMENTS

PROGRAMME ACTIVITY:

Rugby:

OURFC Captain's visit: Dominic visited UmRio between the 3rd and 10th of June. Driven by a deep interest in Sport for Development, apart from engaging in programmes, Dom conducted research to isolate the impact of rugby on young people who are engaged in UmRio activities. Below are some initial findings:

79% of young people directly associate their increased commitment to education, to rugby.

100% of parents identified engagement in rugby as a turning point in their children's behaviour.

Respect and teamwork are two consistent values in young people's, parents' and teachers' discourses when discussing rugby.

University 7s Championship: Over the past two years, UmRio has shifted its focus to building relationships with University Rugby clubs. This year, one of our organisational goals, was to take part in the University Championship as an invitational side. This initiative is aligned with our educational strategy, to make tertiary education a more tangible and attractive reality for our young people.

On the 24th of June, UmRio participated as an invitational side, in the 4th University Championship. While our results on the pitch were not what we had hoped, the team improved in every game, and participation in the tournament was a key step to further consolidating the association of our participants between education and rugby.

Education & Employability:

UmRio has prided itself in applying a project-based learning approach to education.

Results: Internal research has found that:

- 89% of students most at risk of dropping out of school (i.e. those who have low attendance rates, present age-grade discrepancies and self-define themselves as uninterested in education), are more interested in learning when engaging in UmRio education programmes.

- Retrospective research found that 81% of students who passed secondary school entrance exams in MdC over the past 3 years, are students from UmRio.

TUDO BEM Visit: This month we have received the TUDO BEM project, an organisation within the KEDGE Business School who support our programmes throughout the year in Marseilles, running fundraising initiatives. They have been taking part in every programme at UmRio over the past 3 weeks.

Lecture: Our Education & Employability programme, which applies a project-based learning approach, also ran an interview training workshop with Isabela Abreu, an entrepreneur with 13 years of experience taking part and conducting interviews.

Exchange Programme: UmRio will be taking a group of young leaders within our programme to a leadership workshop at Fight for Peace (Brazil). The objective of this exchange programme will be to build young people's leadership skills, and consolidate UmRio's youth council structure. This exchange programme will be sponsored by longstanding UmRio supporter Rishawd Watson, who organized a health and well-being event in Morro do Castro in April.

Preparatory Course for University Entrance Exams: as mentioned in our previous Progress Report (Ref. May 2018), two students enrolled to take the State University of Rio de Janeiro's entrance exam last month. We are delighted to inform you that both students passed, and are through to the second round of exams, which will be course-specific.

Healthcare: Our ART Dentistry programme took place as expected in Morro do Castro on 15th June, 2018, and focused on providing initial consultations with new patients.

28 Hours Touch Rugby: Last year was the first year of the UmRio 24 hour touch rugby circuit. This year, UmRio seeks to break the world record, and play an uninterrupted touch rugby game for 28 hours.

As part of our project-based learning approach, UmRio Events Coordinator Roberto Campos will be engaging all age-ranges in the planning of the event, helping them develop skills (specifically in Portuguese and Mathematics) that can be applied in the classroom. The 28 hour touch planning sessions occur every Tuesday from 13:30-14:30h before rugby training and kicked off on Tuesday 26th June.

MOVING FORWARDS

IMPORTANT DATES IN JULY:

03rd July: Ed Hart (OURFC) arrival

16th July: Dallaglio Rugby Works Visit

17th July: Fight for Peace/UmRio Youth Council Exchange

25th July: Katie Collis & Violet Smart (OURFC) arrival

TBC July: Coletivo Nuvem Negra workshop (PUC university activist and campaigning group that tackle issues of racism within higher education in Brazil)

FINANCIALS

Financial Statements, and monthly audited accounts can be made available by our partners at **Multiplic Contabilidade** (a Brazilian-based accountancy firm) upon request.