



Excellence For All











Setting the right mindset







Impact



Habits



Growth



Service

Developing / refining a vision



What do I want to achieve today, next week, next year, in the future?

Vision

Set personal targets for success and take responsibility for achieving them

Maintain focus on your goals even when you have setbacks

Invest time in shaping your own future in school and beyond

2024 Post-18 progression

<u>University</u>

80% of Year 13 applied to university

88% of those took up a place in September

81% gained a place at their firm / first choice

42% took up places at Russell Group universities

30% of students were first generation applicants

>50% attended universities in the north of England

Other routes

8 students started a Degree Apprenticeship (HSBC, JLR, Nestle, Ernst and Young and West Yorkshire Police)

13 students started an Apprenticeship

32 took a gap year

33 started employment

5 gained a place at Further Education College

2 took up sports scholarships in the USA

85% of all students progressed onto their first choice of destination

The journey so far...

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Interests and personality quizzes

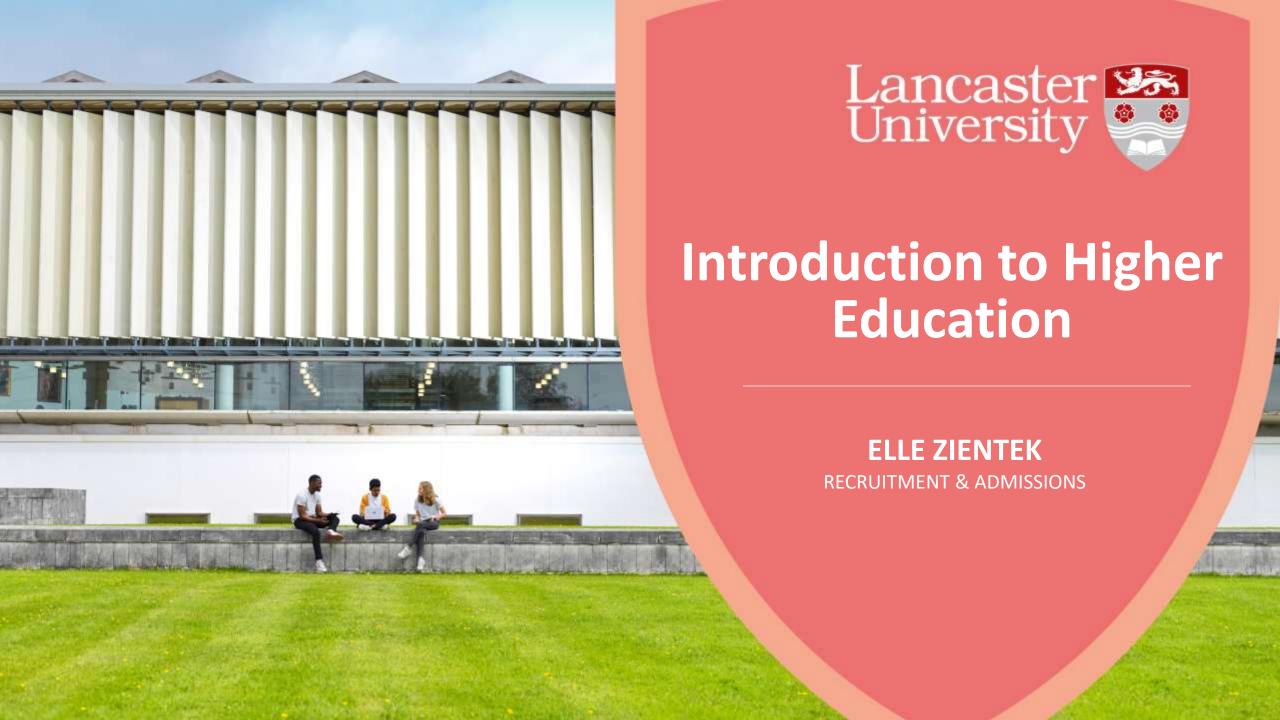
Exploring post-18 pathways University / apprenticeship visit

Careers Fair

2 Career Pathway Talks National Apprenticeship and National Careers Weeks Access to MOOCs and supercurricular resources

Introduction to work experience

Careers appointments







Do you know your rankings?

Can you rank, in descending order, the following universities as listed in the 2025 Complete University Guide?





Exeter?

Bath ...

Liverpool ...?

Lancaster ...?

Manchester ...?

Newcastle ...?

Cambridge ...?

Do you know your rankings?

Can you rank, in descending order, the following universities as listed in the 2025 Complete University Guide?





Exeter ...? **14**

Bath ...? 8

Liverpool ...? 19

Lancaster ...? 10

Manchester ...? 22

Newcastle ...? 26

Cambridge ...? 1

A Top-Ranking Global University

















Gold Standard for Teaching

Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) 2023

Best in the North West

Time and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2025

One of Top 30 most targeted by Employers

The Graduate Market 2024 report

14th for quality of Work Experience

Student feedback on 'Rate my Placement'







Course Rankings

1st Social Work **2**nd Media Studies 3rd
Biomedical
Sciences

3rd Linguistics

6th
Creative
Writing

7th
Architecture

7th Marketing **8**th
Physics &
Astronomy

Do you know the Russell Group?

Which of the following Universities are **not** in the **Russell Group**?

Birmingham

Bath Lancaster

Bristol Royal Holloway

Liverpool

Coventry Oxford

Durham Queen Mary

Exeter Southampton

Glasgow St Andrew's

Goldsmith's Sussex

Imperial Warwick

Leicester York

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Goldsmith's Sussex

Imperial Warwick

Leicester York

Research Intensive University

- Traditional subject courses
- National and international reputation
- Highly Competitive
- High entry requirements
- Campus or City based







Campus

- Self contained in one location and student orientated
- Community, safety and security
- Accommodation in close proximity to university facilities
- Examples include Lancaster, Loughborough and Exeter

City

- Closer to more amenities and services
- Useful for fostering work/life balance
- Some people prefer the buzz of a big city
- Examples include Manchester, Birmingham, Oxford

What experience do I want?







Play Your Accommodation Cards Right!

Cost Per Week 2024-25* Overall Contract Cost 2024-25*

Lancaster £191 £7,640 (40 weeks)

 Leeds
 £195
 £8,385 (43 weeks)

 Cambridge
 £217
 £6,510 (30 weeks)

St Andrews £195 / £226 £7,437 / £8,619 (38 weeks)

Bath £271 £10,298 (38 weeks)

Liverpool £199 £7,764 (39 weeks)

Teeside £165 £6,600 (40 weeks)

Keele £223 £9,155 (40 weeks)

UCL £326 £12,714 (39 weeks)



Traditional Courses

English, Maths, Sciences, Art

Not Available at College

Medicine, Accounting, Zoology

Combined Courses

Psychology and Criminology

Specified Subjects

 Ethical Hacking, Baking Science and Technology









Modules

Comparison of optional third year modules for BA (Hons) Geography

Lancaster University

- Alpine Environmental Processes Field Course
- Coral Reef Ecology
- Environment, politics and Society in Amazonia
- Food and Agriculture in the 21st Century
- Glacial Systems
- The Causes and Consequences of Environmental Radioactivity
- Water, Society and the Istrian Landscape

University of Sheffield

- Confronting the Anthropocene
- The Planets
- Our Frozen Planet
- Urban Exploration
- Democracy and Citizenship: Dilemmas and Tensions
- Decolonising Geographies
- Urban Transformations

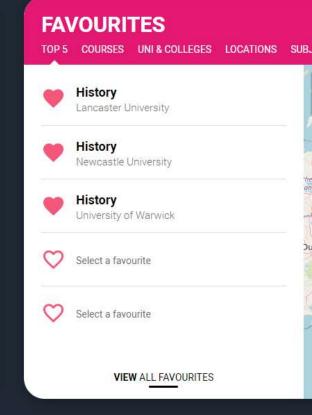
How do I research and apply?

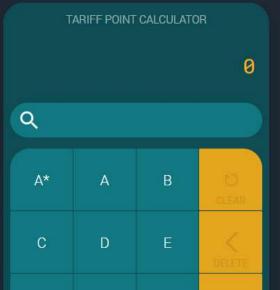
The UCAS Hub

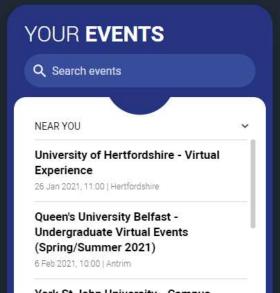
www.ucas.com

- Customisable
- Detailed breakdown of your choices
- Events listings
- Course/ University Map











The UCAS Application

Your Personal Details

Your Chosen Courses

Education

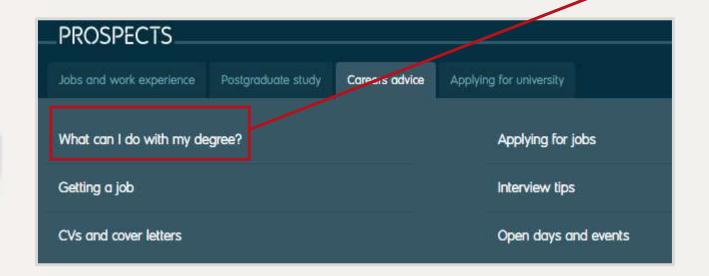
Grades

Employment

Personal Statement

References

Prospects



www.prospects.ac.uk

Journalism

AGCAS editors iii November, 2019

Studying journalism opens doors to a range of careers where your creativity, writing, communication and research skills are invaluable

Job options

Jobs directly related to your degree include:

- Broadcast journalist
- Editorial assistant
- Magazine features editor
- Magazine journalist
- Newspaper journalist
- · Political risk analyst
- Press sub-editor
- · Publishing copy-editor/proofreader
- · Web content manager
- Writer

Jobs where your degree would be useful include:

- Advertising copywriter
- Digital copywriter
- Market researcher
- Multimedia specialist
- Public relations officer
- Science writer
- Translator

What Can I do With a Degree in...?

Art: television, arts admin, web page design, tourism...

Biochemistry: forensic science, management, IT, sales...

Biology: environmental consultancy, finance, marketing...

Geography: journalism, banking, accountancy, law, sales...

History: law, finance, IT management, computing...

Law: accountancy, banking, the media, industry, sales...

Languages: law, tourism, civil service, diplomatic service...

≈57% of employers ask for a degree

Source: CIPD



 Academic - science labs, computer equipment or performance spaces

Extra-curricular - does that university have the right sports facilities, a swimming pool, or a theatre?

 When you choose a university you choose a home – think about the kind of facilities that will make a difference to you



Sports

- 25 metre swimming pool
- Sports halls
- Studios
- Fitness suite
- Strength and conditioning room
- Climbing wall and bouldering cave
- Tennis courts
- Sports pitches
- 2.6-mile woodland walk
- Trim trai

- Netball courts
- Lacrosse pitch
- Multi-use games areas
- Synthetic grass pitches
- Rugby pitches
- Association football pitches
- Crown bowling green
- Student representation
- Artificial cricket wicket
- 3G pitch
- Advice













What do you want out of university?

- A top-ranked course
- To live in a large city
- Staying local to home
- Pursuing a specialist course
- Joining particular clubs or societies











WHAT IS A DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP?

Jack (he/him)



Accounting and finance

Further your career as a digital accountant and finance manager while gaining a degree



Architecture and chartered planning

Learn to plan and design construction projects, draw blueprints and survey land



Construction and chartered surveying

Gain the skills to assess properties for defects, future issues or problems



We offer a wide range of degree apprenticeships with a range of industry-leading employers.

In fact, our degree apprenticeship portfolio is one of the widest in the country!

Popular subject areas include STEM,
Computing & Tech, Engineering, Construction
and Management.



Digital and technology solutions

Enhance your IT com skills and learn how



Food and drink

Develop your technical skills and discover how to meet the food and drink industry standards



Health and social care

Help make a difference to others and start your career in health and social care



Leadership and management

Develop your leadership skills and learn management principles and techniques



Policing

Learn the skills needed to be a fully operational officer in the fast-paced world of policing



Supply chain and packaging

Start a course in packaging supply chains and gain packaging technology



What is a degree apprenticeship?

Apprenticeships are not a new concept. These are paid, developmental roles which involve an element of study alongside practical work.

Degree apprenticeships however are relatively new, having started in 2015, and new pathways are still being launched, most recently Medicine and Teaching.

The core concepts remain the same across all types of apprenticeships, however the complexity of the content you cover differs at higher levels.



What apprenticeships can I do?

Level 2- Intermediate

Job roles include:

- -Nuclear Operative
- -Junior Estate Agent
- -Rail Onerative

"Degree" apprenticeships, are at level 6 and above.

If you want an equivalent to a degree, make sure to bare this in mind.

We will look at this more later.

Level 3- Advanced

Job roles include:

- -Chef
- -Fashion Assistant
- -Veterinary Nurse
- -IT Technician

A-level- College

Level 4+- Higher

Job roles include:

-Marketing Executive

Journalist

-Clinical Dental

Technician.

Foundation degree-College/ Uni evel 6-7- Degree

Job roles include:

- -Aerospace Engineer
- -Ecologist
- -Teacher
- -Doctor
- -Accountant

Degree/ Masters- Uni



The apprentice journey...

Apprentice

Commitment

Your portfolio





80%

20%



University

The Academic Award

Credits

Support from: Academic staff, Apprenticeship Coach

Employer

The job

Training programme

milestones

Support from: Workplace

Mentor



one day!

An example week...

Typical Week						
Degree Appre	nticeship - Quantity Surveyir	ng				
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	09:00:00		Lecture		Work- Project 2	Work-
	10:00:00	Work -	Lecture	Work- Project 3		AND ALL OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR
	11:00:00	Project 1	Seminar			Project 5-
	12:00:00		Seminar			On Site
	13:00:00	Lunch	Lunch- Out	Lunch	Lunch- Out	Lunch- Out
	14:00:00		Seminar			
Topobing (200/) is either "block	15:00:00	Work-	Lecture	Work -	Work-	Work -
Teaching (20%) is either "block release", or "day release".	16:00:00	Project 2	Seminar	Project 1	Project 5	Project 4
release, or day release.	17:00:00		Seminar			
Block release you spend on	18:00:00		Lecture			
average 5 x 1 week blocks per	19:00:00	F		Co t	The Provident	Meal out
year at the university.	20:00:00	Family meal	Netflix	Sport	Uni work	with friends
	21:00:00					
9 hours of contact time here in						



Undergrad vs degree apprenticeship – what's the difference?

Undergraduate

Degree Apprenticeship

More academic, less work experience

Practical way to learn – (80% of time dedicated to work)

Wider range of subjects you can study

Any study completed is specific to your role

Traditional uni experience

– 'student bubble'

Travel, commuting & housing considerations

Contact hours vary, option to do part-time work

Work balanced alongside study



Undergrad vs Degree Apprenticeship – what's the difference?

Remember that both routes lead to the same qualification – a degree!





Why should I do one?

On-the-job training These are practical ways to learn- everything you learn is relevant
Earn while you learn Earn a salary averaging £18,000. Some vacancies are in excess of £25,000!
Upskill for free- no student loan Your employer pays us to deliver your degree
Kickstart your career Access a professional career and salary- vacancies are driven by demand
Flexible way to learn Learn through a balance of practice and theory



What apprenticeships exist?



The Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education is a

Department for Education body which centralizes all technical

study pathways, if you are ever wondering if an apprenticeship

"exists" look here.



What apprenticeships exist?

- Agriculture, environmental and animal care
- Business and administration
- Care services
- Catering and hospitality
- Construction and the built environment
- Creative and design
- Digital
- Education and childcare
- Engineering and manufacturing
- Hair and beauty
- Health and science
- Legal finance and accounting
- Protective services
- Sales marketing and procurement
- Transport and logistics

All technical qualifications are based on standards set by employers.

These "standards" are mapped against occupations which can be considered as study routes; Apprenticeships, T Levels or HTQs.

These occupational standards are grouped into sectors, which you

can consider "subjects", and are listed in detail on IfATE's website.

Transport and logistics



Occupational Maps

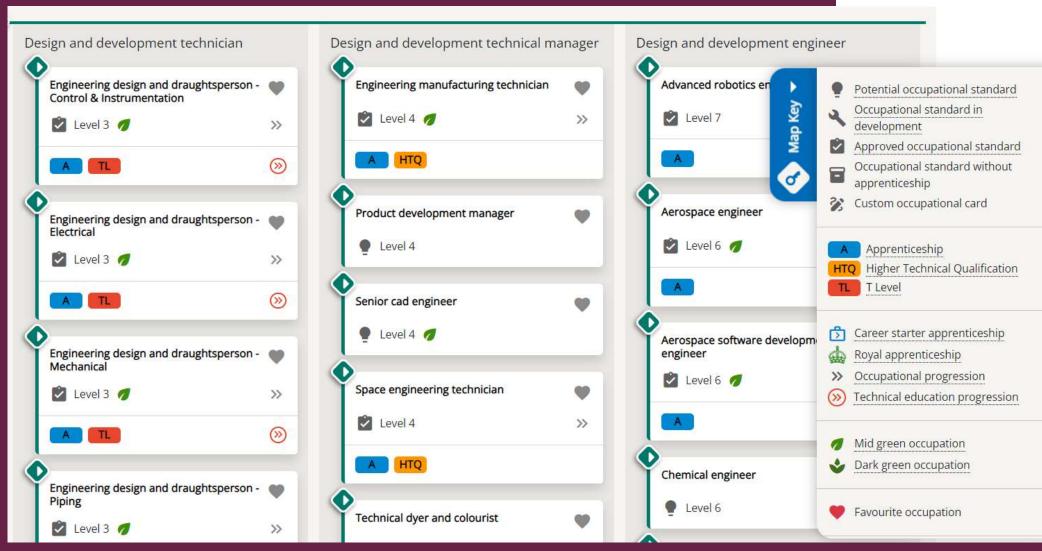






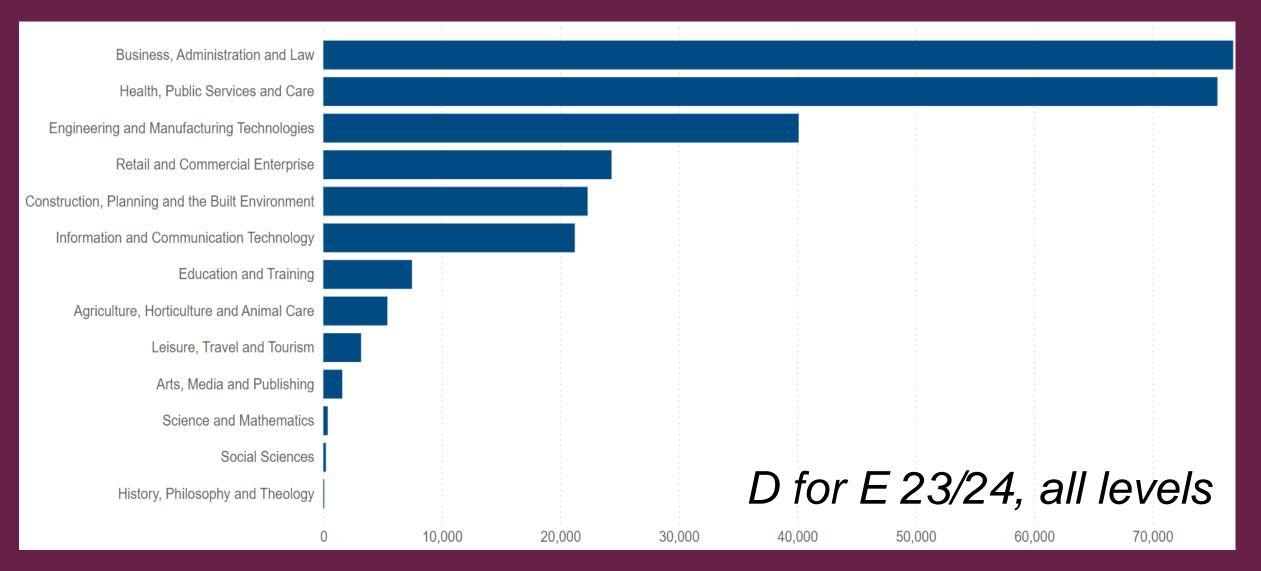
Occupational Maps







What apprenticeships exist?





THE SUBJECTS AT SHU

- Accounting & Finance
- Architecture/ Chartered Planning
- Construction/ Chartered Surveying
- Digital & Tech Solutions
- Design & Creative



- Engineering
- Food Industry
- Health & Social Care
- Leadership & Management
- Policing
- Supply Chain Management



Deciding what to study at University – Two Approaches!

Career Goal! Interest based experience A-level choices? subject specific requirements? Where to apply these skills Interviews?

What am I good at? What are my interests? What subjects do I enjoy?

What actions can I ta

With apprenticeships you are applying to a vacancy, not a subject area!



Important considerations with degree apprenticeships

You need to convince the employer to choose you. It is important you come across motivated to work in the respective industry.

You will be applying for the same vacancies potentially as people much older or already working in the organisation.



Entry criteria

Specifics

Some vacancies ask for subject interest/ knowledge or may even ask for basic technical skills

Skills

Adverts will tell you the skills they want to see in successful candidatesmake sure to demonstrate these.

A-Levels/

Equivalents

112 UCAS points typically at Sheffield Hallam University.

GCSEs

5 GCSEs at grade 4 and above including English, Maths, and sometimes Science.

How do I apply?

1. C.V

2. Cover letter

You apply directly to the employer, like a job.

Different employers have different recruitment processes, typically:



C.V shortlist

Interview (employer)

Admissions (university)

Finding a degree apprenticeship vacancy: when to apply









Research Y12, apply Y13

When do apprenticeships start?

Depends on the company – no fixed start date

How long do they take?

Typically 3 years - but they can be longer



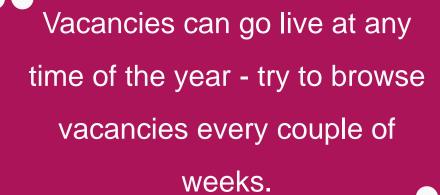
Looking for degree apprenticeship vacancies



New for this academic year, you can now view degree apprenticeship vacancies on UCAS.



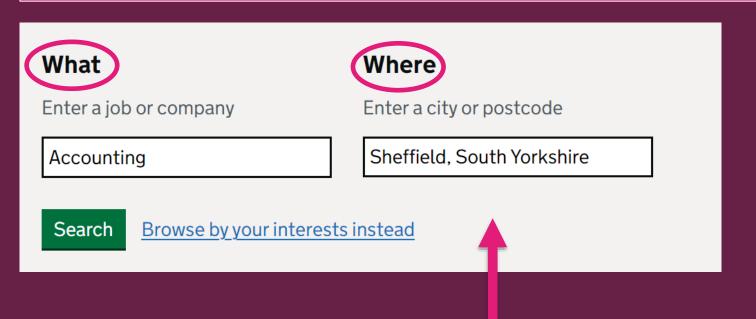
UCAS Apprenticeship Finder



Find an Apprenticeship (Government)



Finding a vacancy: Find an Apprenticeship (Government)



Search for vacancies using an industry area and a location

Filter carefully – make sure that 'level 6' apprenticeships are selected

	Select the level you want to apply for						
	Level 2 Equal to GCSE						
	Level 3 Equal to A level						
	Level 4 Equal to higher national certificate (HNC)						
	Level 5 Equal to higher national diploma (HND)						
~	Level 6 Equal to degree						
	Level 7 Equal to master's degree						

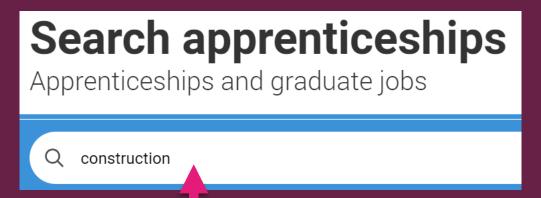
Finding a vacancy: Find an Apprenticeship (Government)

Annual wage	£23,400 a year Minimum wage rates (opens in new tab)					
	The pay may be negotiated and may rise after a probation period has been successfully completed.					
Training course	Construction quantity surveyor (degree) (level 6)					
Hours	Monday to Friday 08:30 - 17:00 with one hour for meal break (unpaid) 37 hours a week					
Possible start date	Monday 23 September					
Duration	5 Years					
Positions available	1					

Check vacancy
listings carefully,
particularly
things like:

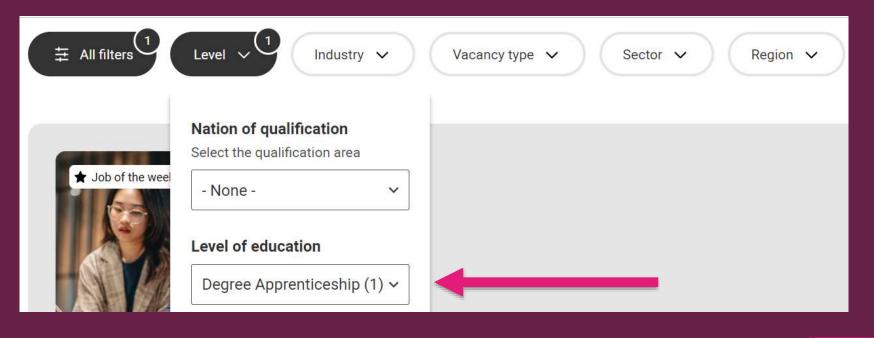
- Wage
- Working hours
- Possible start date.

Finding a vacancy: UCAS Apprenticeship Finder





Search for vacancies either using an industry area or a university name



Filter carefully - make sure that 'degree apprenticeship' (level 6) is selected

Finding a vacancy: UCAS Apprenticeship Finder



Apprentice Quantity Surveyor

Aecom



Apprenticeship level

England - Degree

Apprenticeship - Level 6 of a Level 6

Salary

Those starting in Year 1

apprenticeship will

start on 24,000.

Apply by | Start date Industry

Building and 31/08/2024 |

construction 02/09/2024



A.I Apprentice

The Binding Site Group Limited



West Midlands

Apprenticeship level

England - Degree

Apprenticeship - Level 7

Salary

£26,000.00

Industry

Information and

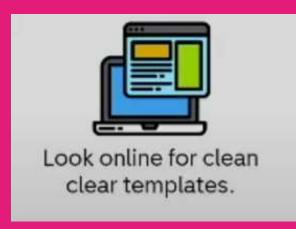
communication technology

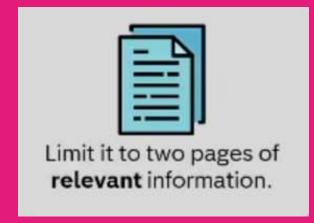
Apply by | Start date

24/08/2024 | 02/09/2024



SOME TIPS







Tailor your CV to the job you're applying for.



Highlight your achievement with the format "I achieved X by doing Y, resulting in Z"



Ask someone to proof-read for you.



Clear, concise layout appropriate font

Career summary is clear & relevant

Software Engineer Apprentice

Location: Sheffield Telephone: 07778 123456

Email: joe.bloggs@exampleemail.com

Professional profile

I would like to be a software engineer as my interest in computers and technology has exponentially grown over the years. Being a part of the technical crew in my church, the curiosity in me began as to what made the backbone of these computers work and I reasoned that it was all down to code. From then on, I began my coding journey by starting to use Scratch and learned the basic coding languages of Python and Java. This ignited a fire in me to want my knowledge of coding and computers to be cultivated. Bringing a positive change to the world is what drives me to be a Software Engineer as I want to be able to make a positive impact on lives using code. One of my many aims is to help the elderly become more competent with technology in order for them to do basic tasks.

IT/Technical Skills

Coding, Python, Java - Basic

Career Summary

May 2021 - present

Greggs

Team Member

In this role I had to rejuvenate the needs of the customers to make sure they were fully satisfied and any complaints I took action.

Key Responsibilities

- Made sure that all bakes were properly cooked for the health and safety of customers.
- · Restocking of products so customers had more of a choice on what they want.
- Preparing sandwiches to the highest standards for customer satisfaction.
- . Supporting my fellow team members in delivering great customer service.

Key achievement / projects

 I managed to take up some extra shifts which then made me achieve the employee of the month as I was always there to cover shifts for my team members who were self-isolating at the time. Appropriate contact details

Motivations, skills & experience clearly outlined

Professional layout allows employer to see key information easily

RECOGNISING TRANSFERABLE SKILLS



A Level Maths

A Level Physics

BTEC Sport & Exercise Science

Loves football & is a youth referee for under-16 games

Y7 study skills (maths) mentor

Youtube channel reviewing gigs & new music releases

Toby

Level 6 Apprentice Software Engineer

Desired skills and personal qualities

Communication skills, IT skills, Attention to detail, Organisation skills, Customer care skills, Problem solving skills, Administrative skills, Number skills, Analytical skills, Logical, Team working, Creative, Initiative

Is Toby a good fit for this role?

Does Toby have any transferable skills?



Identifying Skills and Scenarios

You can map out skills in any advert you look at.

You can then cross reference them to the scenarios you have.

	Communication skills	IT Skills	Attention to detail	Organisation skills	Customer care skills	Problem solving skills	Admin skills	Number skills	Analytical skills	Logical	Team player	Creative	Initiative
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A Level Physics			((\odot		(v)	(③			
BTEC Sport & Exercise Science	⊘			⊘		⊘					⊗		⊘
Youth Referee	⊘			(②	②	③						⊘
Y7 Mentor	②			((②	③					(②
YouTube channel	⊘	②					③					⊘	



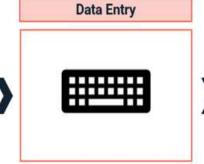
SET UP ALERTS FOR VACANCIES ON UCAS

Get linked to apprenticeship opportunities direct to your inbox

When you register on ucas.com for the first time or access your UCAS Hub account, you can sign up to be linked to relevant apprenticeship opportunities that match your profile.



Register for Smart Alerts in your UCAS Hub account.



Enter information on your preferences such as location and area of interest. Matching



If this matches an employer's search criteria, then you are invited to apply. Vacancy matching service

Indicate preferences
e.g. location / role by
building your UCAS
profile

UCAS account required



FIND OUT MORE...

OPEN DAYS

LIVE CHAT

SOCIAL MEDIA



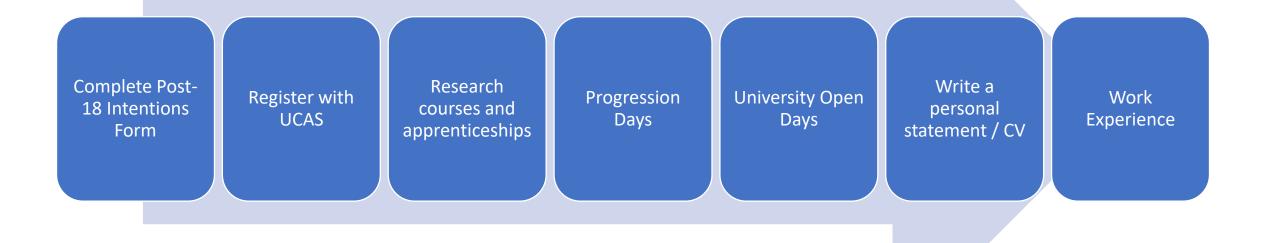


Check Sheffield Hallam's website for our latest open day dates:
www.shu.ac.uk/visit-us

Chat to our students and staff to find out more about life at Sheffield Hallam

Follow us @shuoutreach on Instagram for top tips, information and competitions

The next steps...



Keep your options open

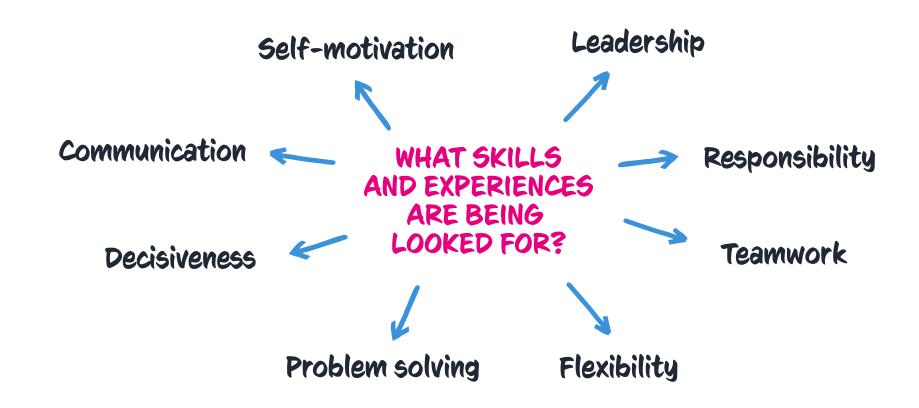
University

Degree Apprenticeship

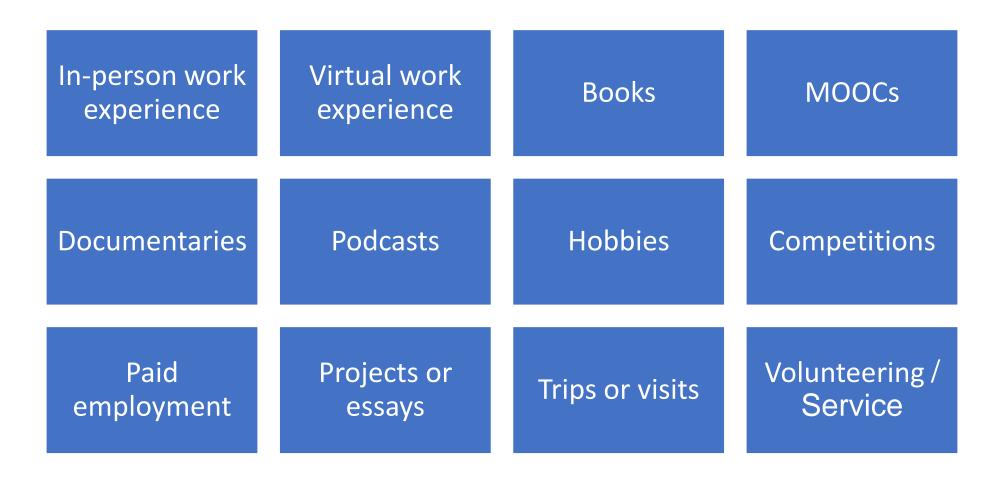
Apprenticeship

Employment

Focus on the skills



Which of these have you done and what skills/knowledge did you get out of it?



Support in school

Form Tutor

Subject Teachers

Student Support Managers

Ms Watson - Senior Tutor

Mrs Mitchell & Mrs Wainwright - Careers Advisors

Miss Russell
Assistant Director
of Sixth Form

Mr Twitchin
Director of Sixth
Form

Finding out more

UCAS & Unifrog websites: both cover university, apprenticeships, degree apprenticeships, work, gap year etc

Open days:

www.opendays.com

Further research:

www.whatuni.com

www.theuniguide.com

www.apprenticeships.gov.uk

www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk

www.planmygapyear.co.uk

www.volunteerhq.org

www.notgoingtouni.co.uk