

The Path Ahead

April 16th 2026



Dear Parents/Carers,

Please find our ***Careers Newsletter*** attached.

We hope the information is useful and inspiring for our students, parents/carers.

Please feel free to email us any requests or feedback.



Open Days

Mark Your Calendar

College Open Days

Windsor College

Open evenings

30 June 2026 – 4:30pm–7:00pm – Windsor campus

Taster day

8 July 2026 – Year 10 Taster Day (9:45am–3:00pm)

West Herts College

Summer open days

13 June 2026 – Hemel Hempstead campus (9:30am–12:30pm)

20 June 2026 – Watford campus (9:30am–1:00pm)

Royal Holloway Open Day

Open Day at our Egham campus will be taking place on Saturday 13 June. Register your interest now and we'll be in touch with more information!

[Register for our June Open Day.](#)

APPLICANT VISIT DAYS AND ONLINE APPLICANT EVENTS

Our next Online Applicant Event will take place on Wednesday 29 April. You'll be able to attend sessions with academics, chat to current students and hear from our support teams, as well as virtually touring the Egham campus.

University of Bedfordshire

Open Day

Saturday 25th April 2026 | 10am – 2pm | Bedford & Luton Campuses

Homerton College Open Days

9th-10th July, 11th September 2026 – Join us for our July Open Days! Come for: College Tours, Admissions Talks, STEM Escape Adventure and the opportunity to meet current students. For more information: <https://www.homerton.cam.ac.uk/events/cambridge-university-july-open-days>



Work Experience

Students - How To Find Great Work Experience Opportunities!

If you're trying to find a work experience opportunity this is the webinar for you!

60 minutes of really practical advice to help young people connect with employers and find GREAT work experience opportunities.

TUESDAY 21ST APRIL - 6.30PM

We will be covering: How to use social media to find work experience

- What your parents / relatives can do to help you
- Why your 'adult network' is key...and who is in it?
- How to demonstrate to an employer that you're serious about their work
- An email template you can use to contact employers
- Why developing 'relationships' is your key to getting people to help you
- How to prepare to get the most from your work experience
- What you need to do after your work experience

At the end of the session, you'll have a list of things that you can do that will really help you find a great placement.....and you'll be able to get straight to work!

Click the link below to book your FREE ticket:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/how-to-find-great-work-experience-opportunities-tickets-1984716799374?aff=oddtcreator>



Useful Websites for Work Experience

Work Experience

It is important to try and learn new skills and try to get involved in different activities that you can use when creating your CV or applying for a job. This can include hobbies, joining clubs, playing sports, playing instruments all great skills to put on your CV. Please pop into the library and pick up a list of previous employers our students have been to.

<https://www.springpod.com/> - Gain experience with top employers and universities, showcase your skills.

<https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/a-job-or-career/finding-virtual-work-experience> - Finding virtual work experience.

<https://www.theforage.com/> Explore careers with job simulations from leading companies

[Future Finder - Futures For All](#)

Volunteering

<https://vinspired.com/> - Search volunteering opportunities

<https://www.buckshealthcare.nhs.uk/work-for-us/volunteering/> NHS volunteering



Work Experience Opportunities

Work Experience Opportunity in the Arts

Vache Baroque are launching our Young Ambassadors programme again this year, for young people aged 16-19. Young Ambassadors is a unique chance for young people to get hands-on work experience in an arts organisation, and aims to break down the barriers to careers in the arts. The programme takes place from May to October 2026, with meetings and workshops throughout that help Young Ambassadors plan and execute their own project as part of our Summer Festival in Chalfont St Giles in August.

We would love to have some Young Ambassadors from Chalfonts Community College. I have attached an info pack, and more information can also be found on our website [here](#) or by emailing learning@vachebaroque.com.

The application form is here. Applications will close on **Sunday 26 April**, with short interviews taking place on **Saturday 25 April and Saturday 1st May**.



Your Next Chapter - Careers in Literature

Discover where a passion for literature can take you with [Futures For All](#). Open the door to a vast range of creative and professional opportunities!

[Learn more](#)

Upcoming placements

Passport To Careers In The Travel Industry

Expand your horizons with [GTTP & ITT Future You](#). Master how holidays are created, marketed & delivered + discover the range of tourism careers!

[Learn more](#)



Deploying Drone Tech Careers

Get behind cutting edge drone tech with [Cyberhawk](#). Plan operations, stop wildfires, and level up your CV with our own certificate of completion.

[Learn more](#)



Demystifying the Home Office

What it's REALLY like working in government with the [Home Office](#). An insight into careers in the department building a safe, fair & prosperous UK!

[Learn more](#)



Work Experience Opportunities

Investment 20/20 Programme

BNP Paribas is proud to be one of the founding partners of Investment 20/20. The Trainee Programme within Securities Services is a 12-month full time paid job with training, support and networking opportunities.



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The Investment20/20 Trainee Programme is suitable for people both with and without a degree. Internships or relevant work experience is not required, just a demonstrable passion for the industry.

Work Experience in Engineering & Construction with EFKB

Chipping Warden 29th June – 3rd July

<https://finder.futuresforall.org/opportunity-detail/01DDCAB5-18A4-4C5F-466D-08DE6EDD88A5>

Westbury 29th June – 3rd July

<https://finder.futuresforall.org/opportunity-detail/CF753124-DEB9-4F9C-2076-08DE72E1EC38>

Chipping Warden 6th July – 10th July

<https://finder.futuresforall.org/opportunity-detail/6F1432ED-3B8C-441B-515A-08DE73A54FFA>

Aylesbury 6th July – 10th July

<https://finder.futuresforall.org/opportunity-detail/07C28533-A43D-457F-515B-08DE73A54FFA>



Virtual Work Experience Opportunities

Virtual Work Experience Week (29 June – 3 July)

Unifrog are excited to share the resources for this year's Virtual Work Experience Week! For students who missed out on in-person placements, or those who wish to further build their employability skills, it's a great way to connect with some top employers.

We'll be joined by a different employer each day, when students can join live webinars and complete realistic workplace tasks on Unifrog.

> [See this year's line-up and learn how the week works](#)

If your work experience week is after our Virtual Work Experience Week, you can still use the webinar recordings and Unifrog courses to take part. Recordings will be live on the platform within the relevant course a week after each session. For example, the webinar recordings from Wednesday 1 July will be available by Wednesday 8 July, with all recordings available by Friday 10 July.

If your work experience week is before our Virtual Work Experience Week, you can use any of our past courses, which also include webinar recordings.

> [See all past Virtual Work Experience Week courses](#)



Apprenticeships Information

Apprenticeship Levels Explained

Apprenticeship levels in the UK (Levels 2-7) define the qualification depth, ranging from GCSE equivalent to master's degrees, requiring 1-6 years to complete. Key types include Intermediate (Level 2), Advanced (Level 3), Higher (Levels 4-5), and Degree (Levels 6-7), allowing for progression from entry-level to professional expertise while earning a wage.

Apprenticeship Level Comparison Table

Level	Name	Equivalent	Duration	Suitable For
2	Intermediate	GCSE	12-18 months	Beginners, career starters
3	Advanced	A-Levels	18-24 months	School leavers, early career
4	Higher	1st year of university	18-30 months	Technicians, specialists
5	Higher	Foundation Degree / HND	2-3 years	Supervisors, specialists
6	Degree	Bachelor's Degree	3-4 years	Professional-level roles
7	Degree (Master's)	Master's Degree	2-5 years	Senior leadership, regulated careers



Apprenticeships Information



Please see the link for latest degree apprenticeship vacancies. This document comes out in October and January every year.

[Higher-and-Degree-Listing-January-2026.pdf](#)

We want to highlight National Apprenticeship Week because it showcases the wide range of exciting pathways available to our students beyond traditional routes. Apprenticeships combine hands-on experience with nationally recognised qualifications, helping young people earn while they learn and develop valuable workplace skills. By celebrating this week, we can raise awareness of local and national opportunities, challenge misconceptions, and inspire students to explore diverse career options. It also allows us to engage with you, our parents/carers in meaningful conversations about progression routes, ensuring every student feels informed, supported, and confident about their future choices from our school.



Apprenticeships Information

Range of apprenticeships



Higher & Degree apprenticeships

- ✓ University fees paid by employer and/or Government
- ✓ No debt
- ✓ Integrated degree or degree level
- ✓ Experience
- ✓ 4-6 years
- ✓ 100+ universities (plus colleges, training providers)
- ✓ Employer selects University/provider



Outline of Apprenticeship Interview Process

- Online application**, - Includes personal details, education, reasonable adjustments
- Online assessments** - Practice, practice, practice, behavioural, cognitive, verbal and numerical reasoning
- Video interview** - Check Vision, Mission, Values and Skills they look for (Job Descriptions)
- Assessment centre** - Be a team player, include all, be kind
- Final interview** - With a person from early careers

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Online assessment tips

Read through instructions carefully and do the practice links first Allocate enough time and have notes ready dress smartly make sure you are in a quiet place and you will not be disturbed Ensure you have a stable internet connection

How to prepare for a video interview?

Research the employer make a positive first impression, smile! Practice questions Choose a comfortable environment Check your technology works let the company know if you need support, extra time any adjustments

Assessment Centre Group workshops

Two assessors, six to ten candidates, Individual presentation or a task 30 minute group discussion - looking for how you prepare, How you contribute and how you communicate

Keep an eye on the time

Build rapport and ask supportive questions

Listen to others opinions and thoughts

Ensure everyone contributes and invite those in that are slow to start

Back up ideas with evidence to support it and do not talk over other and if you do apologise

Virtual or In Person interviews

Most companies use a pre-recorded format and are looking for great communication skills Four competency based questions - STAR method of reply Situation, Task, Action, Result Tell me about a time when Read Job Description carefully Try to incorporate what the company is looking for in your answers



Use this method to answer questions

STAR Method



Using the 'STAR' technique to answer competency-based questions The STAR ('Situation, Task, Action, Result') technique is a recognised format used in interviews to answer competency-based questions like "tell me about a time you solved a problem to a tight timescale". Using this method to answer interview questions allows the applicant to provide strong examples of proof that you possess the experience and skills for the apprenticeship.

S Situation Explain a recent challenge or situation that relates to the question.

T Task Describe the tasks, objectives and targets relevant to the situation.

A Action Describe the action taken to complete the tasks and objectives, why those actions were taken and what the alternatives were.

R Result Explain the outcome of the situation, for example what objectives and targets were met. Don't forget to describe key learnings from the situation and how they have been used since.

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Useful Websites for Apprenticeships

Here are some useful websites to use when looking for an apprenticeship.

- https://www.mygreatfirstjob.com/mentoring_
- [Find an Apprenticeship](#) – Government-run website that helps you find an apprenticeship.
- [A Guide to Apprenticeships](#) – Find out what it's like to be an apprentice – the opportunities, benefits and just how far an apprenticeship can take you in the future.
- www.amazingapprenticeships.com - Lots of information about apprenticeships and a really good 'vacancy' section showing the types of apprenticeships company offer.
- <https://www.ucas.com/apprenticeships> - Get to know all about apprenticeships with leading employers useful tips and hints, vacancies and UCAS has to offer.
- [Higher-and-Degree-Listing-January-2026.pdf](#)
- <https://higherin.com/top-employers/apprenticeships>
- <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>
- www.notgoingtouni.co.uk
- www.thebigchoice.com
- www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk
- www.allaboutschoollavers.co.uk/jobs
- www.careermap.co.uk
- <https://targetcareers.co.uk/>
- <https://www.future-talent.com/apprenticeship/section/apprenticeships>
- <https://www.apprenticesandgraduates.co.uk/>
- [https://www.screenskills.com/information-and-resources/information/apprenticeships/\(Film/Theatre\)_](https://www.screenskills.com/information-and-resources/information/apprenticeships/(Film/Theatre)_)
- <https://www.qa.com/learners/become-an-apprentice/>
- [\(Computing and Digital apprenticeships\)_](#)
- <https://apprenticewatch.com/>
- <https://www.multiverse.io/en-GB> (Business & digital mainly).
- To find out about career ideas after studying a particular degree see: www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/what-can-i-do-with-my-degree
- For a general overview of requirements: www.careerpilot.org.uk/job-sectors
- [PDF-a-guide-to-apprenticeship-interviews](#)



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A - ACCOUNTANCY & FINANCE

Accounting and finance: more than one route

Accountancy isn't one-size-fits-all. It offers a wide range of roles, progression opportunities, and ways to build a career over time.

We support students who are:

- thinking about an apprenticeship
- considering university, including a BSc route linked to ACCA
- looking for a more gradual way to build confidence and experience before taking their next step

Our pathway video may be helpful for students exploring their options:

[Watch video](#)

Think Ahead



ARMY

Being a Soldier is just the start. From day one, you'll have the chance to build valuable skills, gain recognised qualifications and learn a trade that can shape your future.

With a wide range of roles across seven career paths – Combat, Logistics and Support, Engineering, Medical, Intelligence and Communications, Music, and HR and Finance – there's a place where your interests and strengths can fit.

You can choose from more than 40 apprenticeship programmes, from Level 2 to Level 4. Your apprenticeship is matched to your role, so you'll earn, learn and gain qualifications while doing a job that matters.

[Find out More](#)



AVOVE

At Avove we design, build, and maintain the UK's utilities infrastructure, helping to keep water flowing, lights on and people connected. We deliver sustainable engineering solutions and we're proud to be committed to improving communities and protecting the environment.

We are a diverse and inclusive company and we encourage young people of every identity, background, and ability to begin their careers with us. We don't just offer apprenticeships, we offer real opportunities for growth, confidence and long-term success. [Find out More](#)



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B - BARLOWS [Electrical Apprenticeship Opportunities - Barlows](#)



BNP Paribas Apprenticeships Closing Soon - Apply Now!

London Apprenticeships:

[Human Resources](#)

[Software Developer](#)

[Compliance Officer](#)

[Investment Operations Specialist](#)

[Paralegal](#)

[Security Services Compliance Officer](#)

[Investment Operations Specialist \(Global Markets\)](#)

[Investment Operations Specialist \(Global Markets Relationship Management Team\)](#)



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C - CGI

Degree apprenticeships

Be part of the innovation generation

Work towards a degree whilst gaining real-world experience in one of the world's leading IT and business process service providers.

[Click here for more information](#)



CLANCY

Clancy roles have gone live. If you wish to apply, please direct them to our website:

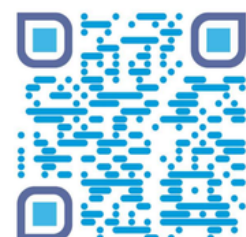
[Clancy Group](#)



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D - DUNELM

Starting your career with Dunelm opens a world of possibilities

Applications are now open for Dunelm's apprenticeship vacancies.

You could apply for apprenticeships in Supply Chain & Logistics, Merchandising, Buying, Retail, or the exciting new Made to Measure Fitting apprenticeship opportunity.

Find out more about the roles and how to apply below...

APPLY NOW



Watch this recording to meet the Early Careers team at Dunelm to learn about apprenticeship opportunities in Retail, Supply Chain & Logistics, Commercial, Fitter and more. In this recording, you'll find out about Dunelm's early careers programmes, hear from a panel of current apprentices and pick up some hints and tips for your apprenticeship application.

WATCH NOW

Find out about the new Made to Measure Fitting Apprenticeship - a unique role blending hands-on technical skills, customer interaction and the freedom of being out on the road. Apprentices work towards a Customer Service apprenticeship qualification, while gaining specialist training in fitting blinds, curtains and shutters in customers' homes.

WATCH NOW

Explore Dunelm's profile on Amazing Apprenticeships' popular Meet the Employer platform to explore the skills they're looking for in their apprentices, their application processes, the help and support available to apprentices, behind-the-scenes apprentice experiences, and much more.

If you're interested in applying for Dunelm's vacancy opportunities, Meet the Employer is the perfect place to visit to get yourself prepared to apply!

E - EDF

A Parents & Carers Guide to Applying for Apprenticeships with EDF

This new practical, easy-to-read guide explains who EDF is, what an EDF apprenticeship involves, the range of programmes available and the benefits of an apprenticeship with EDF. It also lays out the application process and shares tips on how parents and carers can best support young people at each stage of the process.

DOWNLOAD THE GUIDE

Help with applying for open vacancies



EDF's apprenticeship vacancies are OPEN for applications

Vacancies are open for applications in roles ranging from Wind Turbine Technician to Health Physics Monitor, Engineering Technicians to Human Resources, Project Management to Business Administration, Health and Safety, and more.

EXPLORE EDF APPRENTICESHIPS



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E - EDF (CONTINUED)

Use EDF's Meet The Employer Profile to help boost your application

EDF's profile on Meet the Employer allows you to explore the skills they're looking for in their apprentices, their application processes, the help and support available to apprentices, behind-the-scenes apprentice experiences, and much more!

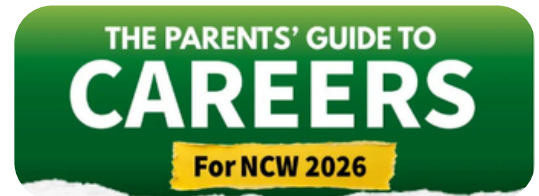
[VISIT EDF'S PROFILE](#)

G - GUIDES

To support schools during National Apprenticeship Week, we're offering a limited-time licence to The Parents' Guide to Apprenticeships. You'll be able to share this specialist guide with your parents on your website (or any other way that works for you).

The guide is written specifically for parents and helps to:

- explain how apprenticeships work in practice
- clarify the different levels and progression routes
- compare apprenticeships and university pathways
- support informed, balanced conversations at home



[Click here for The Parents' Guide to Careers](#)

[Click here for the Sixth Formers Guide to Degree Apprenticeships](#)

GXO

GXO is a world leader in providing cutting-edge logistics solutions for the world's best companies. The logistics processes that we engineer create faster, leaner, smarter supply chains tailored to our customers' needs.

We are proud to be a diverse, inclusive, global workforce operating in a culture of respect and collaboration. GXO are also a member of the 5% Club and was ranked 7th in the Top 100 Apprenticeships Employers.

[Find out More](#)



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H - HOWDENS

Howdens is the UK's No.1 trade kitchen supplier with over 900 depots across the UK and Europe, trusted by 460,000 trade professionals. As a top apprenticeship employer since 2022, we prioritise talent development with training, career growth, and supportive management. Our entrepreneurial culture seeks individuals eager to grow through apprenticeships such as Trade Supplier, Supply Chain Warehouse Operative, Fitted Furniture Design Technician, Chartered Management Degree, Manufacturing, and Supply. Committed to inclusivity, we value dedication and hard work, offering a welcoming work culture and rewarding opportunities, making Howdens a preferred place to build a career. [Find out More](#)



J - JCB

At JCB, we believe in nurturing the next generation of talent through our early careers programme. Joining JCB means becoming part of one of the world's largest manufacturers of construction equipment, where innovation and excellence are the focus. Whether you are interested in engineering, business, or technical roles, JCB offers rewarding career prospects. If you can embrace the opportunity to learn and grow, seize the chance for a career at JCB and help shape the future of construction and agriculture.

[Find out More](#)



JET2 HOLIDAYS

Get your career off to a flying start with Jet2.com and Jet2holidays
[Find out More](#)



JOHN LEWIS PARTNERSHIP

If you want to gain hands-on experience, master new skills, and earn recognised qualifications as you build a rewarding career, the John Lewis Partnership offers a vast range of apprenticeships. With a clear path for advancement and the opportunity to contribute from day one, our apprenticeships empower people to shape their future and become a driving force in our success.

[Find out More](#)



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K - KPMG

Come and make the difference, with a KPMG Apprenticeship.

From Audit to Tech, Tax & Law to Consulting, through the talent of over 16,000 people, we turn ideas into opportunities. Whether it's Hafsah raising money to build schools, Luka finding new confidence or Teena bringing AI skills to Tax, at KPMG, we all make the difference.

At KPMG, you'll have the chance to work with industry leaders on far-reaching projects. You'll also get structured, supported development, including funded professional qualifications or accreditations.

Joining KPMG means you'll build real skills, gain real friends, and kickstart a career that feels like yours.

[Find out More](#)



L - LADYBIRD NURSERIES

We are a small group of family-run day nurseries located in and around London, providing exceptional childcare for children aged 3 months to 5 years.

Established and operated by the same family for over 30 years, we are proud of our strong family ethos and deep-rooted commitment to quality early years education. We believe that by working in partnership with the families we serve, we can nurture happy, confident children who thrive and are given every opportunity to reach their full potential.

[Find out More](#)



LLOYDS

A Lloyds apprenticeship is a smart way to get new skills, relevant qualifications, and experience from day one. And get paid. There's sure to be something to fit your interests. Make a meaningful impact for customers across the UK. Get hands-on with next level tech to help support customers. Learn from people who know their stuff and who'll help you develop. There's over a thousand apprentices across the group, all sharing the experience. You'll be part of a thriving community that's moving forward fast.

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METROPOLITAN POLICE

Our officers and staff are at the heart of policing in the Met. Every day we rely on thousands of officers and staff who are committed to working together and with our communities and partners to successfully deliver the policing that Londoners need and deserve; people who share our values, are committed to high standards, and want to help create change for a better London.

If you're looking for a challenging and rewarding role, our Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship allows you to earn as you learn and gives you a qualification in Professional Policing. You'll get loads of experience, build your skills, and be an officer from your first day.

[Find out More](#)



M - MOTT MACDONALD

Mott MacDonald is an employee owned engineering, development and management consultancy with 20,000 people in more than 50 countries, delivering the transport, energy, water and infrastructure projects that support everyday life. Our apprentices gain hands on experience on real projects while working towards professionally recognised qualifications, supported by structured development, mentoring and our Early Careers Professionals network. This inclusive environment helps apprentices build skills, confidence and connections as they begin shaping their future.

[Find out More](#)



N - NATWEST GROUP

Our Apprenticeships are a fantastic alternative to further education. You get to learn new skills that you'll use in real-world situations from day one and you'll get paid while you do it! It's a win-win really.

[Explore Apprenticeships](#)



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NETWORK RAIL

If a career full of opportunity and possibilities matters to you. You matter to us. Our apprenticeships are designed to provide you with practical on the job training mixed with classroom-based learning.

[Find out More](#)



R - ROYAL AIR FORCE ENGINEERING

The Royal Air Force (RAF) is the United Kingdom's air and space force. Whether in the skies above the United Kingdom or around the world, the RAF protect the UK's interests at home and abroad. They also act as a force for good by working to strengthen international peace and security. Our award winning apprenticeships mean you'll gain a professional qualification as part of your challenging and unique career. [Find out More](#)



S - SCREWFIX

It's not just customers who rate Screwfix highly; our teams love working here too. We've worked hard to create a culture of inclusivity and genuine community.

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SPECSAVERS

Specsavers is a great British success story – a family-run retailer, familiar on almost every high street. Our legendary tagline, 'should've gone to Specsavers', is used by everyone, and its warm and witty marketing has won a place in people's hearts. We're proud of how far we've come as a business; we want to see you grow with us.

Specsavers began 40 years ago with the vision of two optometrists, Doug and Mary Perkins. Their passion for optometry has led Specsavers to become the largest privately-owned optical group in the world, delivering high-quality, affordable optical and hearing care in over 10 countries. And it continues to shape the lives and experience of around 37,000 colleagues.

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T - TESCO

Tesco PLC offers a wide range of apprenticeship programmes, from Level 2 to Level 7. We currently have over 1,000 apprentices across business areas including retail, finance, and leadership.

[Find out More](#)



TUI

Your career adventure starts here! Ready to make your mark in the world of travel? With a presence in over 180 destinations globally, TUI offers more than just career opportunities – we provide a platform for you to grow while helping others explore the world.

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V - VIRGIN MEDIA O2

We're Virgin Media O2. For over 20 years, we've grown our business on pioneers and big thinkers – and we remain at the cutting edge of fibre-optic technology today.

When it comes to employment vs education, our Apprentice Schemes don't make you choose! We're about supporting the wellbeing of our people, empowering you to learn and grow your potential, and making sure you bring your authentic self to work. Don't believe us? 89% of our Future Careers workforce feel they have good opportunities to learn and grow at Virgin Media O2!

We've got unmissable opportunities across all areas of our business, so join us and let's grow together!

[Find out More](#)



W - WARNER BROS. DISCOVERY

Your career at Warner Bros. Discovery starts here.

Forget the traditional route. You don't need a degree to work in TV, Film, or Tech. We're showing you exactly how to get in through an apprenticeship. Join us for a free online event which will show you how to start your career at Warner Bros. Discovery as soon as you finish school!

What the Event will Cover:

1. The Truth

Find out what people actually do every day at a global media giant like WBD.

2. No Gatekeeping

The exact tips you need to make an application that doesn't get ignored.

3. Real Stories

Hear from current apprentices about how they landed the job.

16th June // 6:30pm

Sign up. Get the link. Start Your Career at WBD.

[Count me in →](#)



WICKES

Join Wickes, a growing business where apprentices learn on the job and grow their careers.

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Insight Days

The Biggest Young Professionals Event Ever – Secure Your Place Now! Young Professionals Summer Conference in London, Euston – Meet 20+ Global Employers

Young Professionals are incredibly excited to invite you to the Young Professionals Summer Conference in London at Friends House, based in Euston, London—our biggest and most ambitious event to date. Taking place on Saturday, 18th July, 9am - 1pm this is your chance to join us and meet some of the most prestigious employers in business, banking, finance, law, engineering, and technology, all in one place. As it's taking place on the weekend, no school, college or university time will need to be missed, giving you the ultimate flexibility to attend!

This event is designed for ambitious students who want to connect directly with top employers, gain insider knowledge from industry leaders, and set themselves up for career success. With a packed schedule of keynote speeches, interactive workshops, and networking opportunities, this is an unparalleled chance to gain a competitive edge in your chosen industry.

Dan Miller, our Founder and CEO and this year's contestant on the BBC's The Apprentice, will play a big part in the day and share his journey in founding the YP brand!

All students who attend will get a professional LinkedIn headshot as well as a digital PDF link packed with CV templates, how to start a business, top tips on applying to corporate roles, and lots of other useful content.

Event Details

Date: Saturday 18th July

Location: Friends House, London, Euston (right opposite Euston Train Station)

Time: 9am - 1pm

Who can attend? All students at school/university

Meet Global Employers Looking for Future Talent

This year's event will feature representatives from some of the biggest names in business, banking, finance, law, engineering, and technology. Some of the employers attending include: Goldman Sachs, Lloyds Banking Group, KPMG, Grant Thornton, UBS, Linklaters, Farrer & Co, A&O Shearman, Charles Russell Speechlys and many, many more still to be announced.

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Insight Days

The Biggest Young Professionals Event Ever – Secure Your Place Now! Young Professionals Summer Conference in London, Euston – Meet 20+ Global Employers – Continued

If you are serious about your future, this is the event you cannot afford to miss.

Why You Should Attend

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Experience an event like no other – This is not just another careers fair. This is a next-level experience that could open doors to life-changing opportunities. We have workshop sessions you can go too on CV's, LinkedIn, how to master the corporate recruitment process and much more!

This is the largest event we have ever hosted, and places are expected to fill up fast. If you want to connect with top employers, hear from industry leaders, and gain the tools to set yourself apart, register today before all places are taken. Please note that there is a booking fee of £25 to secure your place, this goes towards the venue hire, AV and tech costs, goodie bags, downloadable resources for you to keep, as well as some of the incredible speakers we are booking for this event.

Register Now:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Summer26_AM



Insight Days

Discover careers in nursing and midwifery: Thursday 30 April, 5–7pm, Stoke Mandeville Hospital

Thinking of a career in nursing or midwifery? Or thinking of a profession such as doctor or paramedic, where you'll be working closely with these teams? Hear from local NHS professionals who will share real-life experiences, different career pathways and advice on choosing the right for you. Male colleagues will also discuss why these careers are equally great choices for men. Speakers include:

- Jenny Ricketts, Chief Nurse
- Samantha Lee, Paediatric Matron, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
- Michelle East, Director of Midwifery
- Frank Martin, Critical Care Outreach Nurse
- Jose Loreto Facultad, Associate Chief Nurse
- Aaron Lorente-Lozano, Inpatient Matron - Maternity
- Buckinghamshire New University and University of Bedfordshire



See full agenda and book tickets – Discover careers in nursing and midwifery – Thursday 30 April

Discover careers in psychology: Thursday 2 July, 5–7pm, Stoke Mandeville Hospital

Interested in how people think and behave? Learn about both clinical and non-clinical psychology careers in the NHS. Speakers include:

- Dr Clare Daniel, Chief Clinical Psychologist, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
- The Oxford Institute of Clinical Psychology Training and Research, University of Oxford
- Buckinghamshire Talking Therapies
- Elaine Pope, Head of Engagement, Culture & Organisational Development, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
- Buckinghamshire New University - mental health nursing and forensic psychology

See full agenda and book free tickets – Discover careers in psychology Thursday 2 July

Discover careers in medicine: Thursday 16 July, 5–7pm, Stoke Mandeville Hospital

What's it really like to be a doctor – and how do you become one? Explore alternatives to medicine, get university application advice and discover exciting 'plan B' careers in healthcare. Speakers and sessions include:

- Dr Matthew Size, Director of Medical Education and Consultant Anaesthetist
- Dr Sunjay Paul, Senior Lecturer and Selection Lead, The University of Buckingham
- Medical student representatives
- Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust Simulation and Skills Team
- Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) practice

See full agenda and book free tickets – Discover careers in medicine – Thursday 16 July



Insight Days

Upcoming Online Sessions – University of Hertfordshire



Topic: Sociology Masterclass - Faith, Science, and a Bad Question: Muslims and Evolution

Date: Wednesday 22nd April - Time: 16:30-17:15

Public debate often assumes that Muslims are broadly hostile to evolutionary science. Drawing on sociological research with British Muslim communities, this masterclass examines how people in these contexts actually engage with evolution in everyday life, including acceptance, rejection, selective accommodation, and reinterpretation. Using interview material and concrete examples, the session moves beyond reductive “science versus religion” framings and demonstrates how views on evolution are shaped by education, religious authority, identity, and wider social context. This talk introduces sociology as a university discipline.

Topic: Commercial Law Taster – When does AI usage become illegal?

Date: Tuesday 5th May - Time: 18:30-19:15

Who is responsible when AI makes decisions online? In the digital world, the line between a viral success and a million-pound fine is razor-thin. Explore how law is adapting to challenges in the digital economy with the University of Hertfordshire. From online safety to contracts and professional conduct, you'll examine real-world scenarios involving platforms, algorithms, and user behaviour. Discover why legal commercial awareness is a critical skill for the next generation of lawyers.

Topic - Parent/Guardian Information Evening: Introduction to the application process and student finance

Date: Thursday 14th May - Time: 19:00-20:30

Looking to support your young person in their journey towards university, but not sure how? Join us at our Parents / Guardian information evening. We'll cover the UCAS application process and the financial support available to them (including how to apply and the repayment system).

Topic – Clearing: Everything you need to know

Date: Thursday 21st May - Time: 16:30-17:15

Clearing is a great opportunity to find that perfect place. There are many reasons why you might choose this route; a change of mind about the course/university, needing a plan B, being a new applicant. Let us guide you through the process, so that you are ready, if you decide to use it.



Insight Days

Upcoming Events – University of Bedfordshire



Psychology Undergraduate Conference

Friday 1st May 2026 | 9.30am - 3pm | Luton Campus

Join us for a full day of fascinating talks and discussions, offering students valuable insight into the world of psychology at university level. This conference is a fantastic opportunity to experience academic learning beyond the classroom.

Book your place here: [Psychology Undergraduate Conference - Booking Form](#)

Life Science Student Conference

11th June, 18th June & 2nd July 2026 | 10am – 3.30pm | Luton Campus

Our Life Science Student Conference offers an interactive and informative experience, including:

- Engaging teaching and learning sessions tailored to key Level 3 topics
- An introduction to university learning and expectations
- Exploration of course options and future career pathways
- Opportunities to meet and speak with current students

Register your interest here: [Life Science Student Conference - Interest Form](#)

Save the Date!

- University of Bedfordshire Business School Student Conference – **Wednesday 23rd September 2026 | 9.30am-2.30pm | Luton Campus**

Register your interest here: [UBBS Student Conference - Interest Form](#)

- Access to HE Experience Day – exclusively for students studying Access to HE courses. **Wednesday 30th September 2026 | 10am-2pm | Bedford Campus**
- School of Sport, Psychology & Social Science: CASES Experience Day - **October 2026 (Date TBC) | 9.30am-2.30pm | Bedford Campus**
- School of Education & English: Discover Teaching Day – **November 2026 (Date TBC) | 10am-3pm | Bedford Campus**



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Upcoming Events - Homerton College

Homerton Subject Focus Sessions - 28th April – 21st July 2026 - Online webinars as taster sessions for different subjects, led by academics and current students. For more information and to sign up: https://cambridge.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8lcbXQrLiCksCuq

Homerton College Admissions Webinars 2026 - Free online webinars to help you gain the tools to apply to Cambridge!

29th April 2026, 1:30-3pm – Studying at and applying to the University of Cambridge
Register here: <https://cam-ac-uk.zoom.us/meeting/register/r6c8v-LrSqyzEszAIA-n4w#/registration>

12th May 2026, 5-6:30pm - How to write a competitive personal statement
Register here:
https://cam-acuk.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jonTtT3LQuKnTdhm6_njsQ#/registration

12th August 2026, 5-6:30pm - How to ace Oxbridge written assessments and interviews
Register here:
https://cam-ac-uk.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jonTtT3LQuKnTdhm6_njsQ#/registration

Summer opportunity for Y12 and Y13 students interested in biomedical research – 3rd-5th August 2026 – Find out more about future study and careers in biomedical research from researchers working at the Cambridge Institute for Medical Research. For more information and signing up: <https://www.cimr.cam.ac.uk/reaching-research-2026>

'Why Cambridge? And why it's right for you' website – a website full of useful information, videos and resources for students and teachers preparing for, and going through the application process. Accessible here: <https://www.cam.ac.uk/why-cambridge-is-right-for-you>



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MLaw (Solicitors' Practice): The Smart Route to Qualifying as a Solicitor

Thu 23 Apr 16:30 – 17:15 BST Virtual

If you already know you want to qualify as a solicitor, this session is worth an hour of your time. Join us for a clear overview of the **MLaw (Solicitors' Practice)**, a four year Integrated Master's that combines the LLB Law with SQE preparation in a single programme.

On the night you will:

- Get a full overview of how the MLaw is structured across four years
- Find out how undergraduate Student Loans Company funding applies to the MLaw, and what that means for the cost of qualifying
- Understand what the SQE assessments involve and how the MLaw prepares you for them
- Learn what happens after graduation and what stands between you and full qualification

[Reserve your place](#)

Criminal Investigation Day: Stephen Lawrence Case

Tue 21 Apr 16:00 – 17:30 BST Virtual

Using the Stephen Lawrence case as its lens, this immersive virtual event offers a compelling and thought-provoking exploration of law, justice and institutional accountability. You will examine the facts of the initial investigation, consider the findings of the landmark Macpherson Report and take part in interactive workshops where you will analyse evidence and apply legal reasoning to real-world scenarios. Well suited to anyone considering a degree in law, criminology or psychology.

[Reserve your place](#)

RWL: How is Mental Health Protected by the Law?

Wed 6 May 16:00 – 17:00 BST Virtual

This session explores the legal and societal frameworks that exist to safeguard mental health, from the Mental Health Act to relevant human rights legislation. It is a session with real relevance for students considering law, psychology, criminology and more.

[Register](#)



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RWL: Can AI Save Your Life? The Future of Healthcare in the Age of Algorithms

Wed 29 Apr 16:00 – 17:00 BST Virtual

AI is already diagnosing diseases and predicting patient outcomes. But should we trust machines with life-or-death decisions? This session digs into the real-world applications, the failures and the big ethical questions.

[Register](#)

RWL: Can Brands Really Create Influence, or Is It All Luck?

Wed 20 May 16:00 – 17:00 BST Virtual

What actually makes something go viral? This interactive session from the University of Law Business School looks at social media influence, content creation and what happens when brand strategies go wrong. One for anyone with an eye on marketing, media or business.

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Filmmaking Summer School – CMS at Pinewood Studios

Students aged 16–18 interested in film and television can apply for a 10-day Filmmaking Summer School at Pinewood Studios this August.

Participants will work together as a film crew, learning from industry professionals across directing, cinematography, art department, production management and hair & makeup while creating their own short film. The course concludes with a screening of the finished films at Pinewood Studios.

3rd - 14th August

£1500 (50% deposit secures your place)

Applications close 17 April.

For more information students can contact: info@cmsinstitute.co.uk





FILMMAKING SUMMERSCHOOL

Spend 10 days working like a real film crew, learning directly from industry professionals—including directors, makeup artists, prop designers and more.

As you explore each department, you'll develop practical filmmaking skills before bringing everything together to create your own short film, which will be premiered at Pinewood Studios at the end of the course.



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UCAS Uncovered

Looking for guidance with applications or aspiring for an offer at a Top UK University like Oxford, Cambridge, or Imperial?

The Scholarly Service Society London Chapter is hosting a free Q&A for students applying to top UK Universities.

UCAS Uncovered, on **Monday the 27th of April, at 7PM BST**, brings together offer holders from Oxford, Cambridge, and Imperial to answer questions about the application process, including:

- Personal Statements
- Admissions Tests
- Interviews
- Written Work Submissions
- And more!
- A free online call, open to Year 11 and 12 students, and anyone else interested in the UK Admissions process.

There will be two calls running in parallel, one for STEM subjects, and one for Humanities subjects, and you can attend one or both.

Sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/gcEGCaNWKhYofRML8>

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