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# D A T E S

## FOR YOUR DIARY

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK  
7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2022



NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK  
7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2022



BISHOP CHALLONER CAREERS FAIR  
THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH



YEAR 9 PATHWAYS EVENING  
THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH



A LEVEL RESULTS DAY  
THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2022

GCSE RESULTS DAY  
THURSDAY 25<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2022



**BISHOP CHALLONER UPCOMING EVENTS**



# WORK EXPERIENCE

**DON'T MISS OUT – APPLY TODAY!**

**IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO START LOOKING FOR YOUR  
WORK PLACEMENT. THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN IS PACKED  
WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF WORK EXPERIENCE  
OPPORTUNITIES.**

**SAVE THE DATES...**

**YR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK  
4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> JULY 2022**

**YR 12 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK  
11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> JULY 2022**

# SAVE THE DATE!

7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2022



**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND RESOURCES**

**EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**





UNIVERSITY  
BIRMINGHAM

2022 MASTERCLASSES  
NOW OPEN!!

## The Masterclasses programme for 2022 is now open.

Masterclasses are designed specifically for school and college students in Years 10-13. This year we have also introduced a new masterclass for Years 7-9. The sessions provide fun, engaging, interactive insights into a range of subject areas, and offer an opportunity to understand what it's like to learn at a selective Russell Group university.

**PLEASE NOTE:** All masterclasses will take place on the University of Birmingham campus. Masterclasses last around two hours and will run on Wednesday afternoons 1.00pm - 3.00pm from Wednesday 2 March to Wednesday 6 April 2022\*.

**YEAR 12/13 – PLEASE SEE MRS NEWTON IN THE LIBRARY FOR MORE INFORMATION AND A BOOKING FORM.**

**FIND OUT MORE**

APPLICATIONS  
NOW OPEN!!!

## WARWICK SCHOLARS APPLICATIONS

Our Warwick Scholars Programme will start recruiting in **March 2022**. Year 12 students are invited to apply.

[FIND OUT MORE OR TO APPLY](#)

# WARWICK SCHOLARS





# Summer Schools

**APPLICATIONS WILL OPEN IN JANUARY 2022**

## **About the summer schools**

Our Summer Schools offer participants a real insight into life at a competitive, research intensive university. Each Summer School is different, but they all usually involve staying in our halls of residence, attending academic taster sessions, social activities and experiencing the campus's sports facilities. Participants also have the opportunity to meet current Warwick students during our Summer Schools.

The University of Warwick Outreach team have been holding Summer Schools for UK students from non-traditional backgrounds since 2012. In 2019, we welcomed over four hundred students aged between 15 and 18 years old on to our campus and we held our first online summer school for 16-17 year olds in 2020.

Warwick Summer Schools usually take place during July and August; and applications open in January 2022.

**APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN**



WARWICK

Widening Participation and Outreach



# A Level Bootcamp

**APPLICATIONS  
NOW OPEN**

**REGISTRATION FOR THE BOOTCAMP WILL OPEN IN  
JANUARY 2022**

## **About the programme**

The University of Warwick is committed to working with young people to maximise their academic potential. We are offering Year 13 students on our access programmes and predicted to achieve between A\* to C grades the opportunity to participate in a free three day A Level Revision Bootcamp during the Easter holidays.

Participants will learn, revise and study one subject area intensively, with the chance to review progress through assessments and 1-2-1 feedback. We aim to provide a packed timetable, which will be constructive, valuable and enjoyable. Each day will be hosted at the University of Warwick, but sessions will be delivered by qualified teachers with vast experience in their subject areas.

There will also be an opportunity to explore effective study skills, exam technique and develop strategies in preparing for exams.

In 2022, we are hoping and planning to deliver the Revision bootcamp in person on our campus.





## Discover Warwick

Our 'Discover Warwick Week' is a great opportunity for you to explore what it would be like to be a student at Warwick.

### *Academic Taster Sessions*

During the week, you can access pre-recorded lectures across a range of subject areas, designed to give you a mini-flavour of what studying a particular subject is like here at Warwick. You will also get to see how different subjects link to each other and discover some of our more niche subject areas.

To give as real an experience as possible, the lectures will be followed up with a live session with our academics and current Warwick students.

### *Information, Advice and Guidance*

Our week kicks off with a number of sessions to help you navigate your way through the process of choosing a course and university; understanding student finance; learning the steps required in applying for a university place; looking at alternative pathways (e.g., Degree Apprenticeships) amongst other.

### *Student Life*

Coming to university isn't \*just\* about studying for your degree - during the week, there will be plenty of opportunities for you to chat with current Warwick students about their experiences, and what they get up to in their spare time.

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

## IGD Virtual Work Experience Week Get skills. Meet experts. Book now.



**IGD Virtual Work Experience Week is back  
from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

### What is it?



- Daily interactive virtual sessions with **Industry Experts**.
- Choose the sessions that interest you and your students.
- Learn about marketing, IT, engineering & interview skills.
- Take part in activities and get questions answered – live.

### Who is it for?



- It's for students from Year 9 – 13. All class sizes welcome.
- Join in a classroom, hall, computer room – or from home.
- We'll send a simple one-click link to join the workshop.

### Why book?



- All students get a certificate for their CV.
- Our sessions meet **Gatsby Benchmarks**.
- Help students discover opportunities.

**Spaces filling up fast – book now at**  
Skills from **IGD.com**



# ALLEN & OVERY

In 2022, Allen & Overy will be offering two schemes that provide Year 12s facing socio-economic barriers with **high-quality insight and interaction** with an **international legal practice.**

## 1. Smart Start

**Smart Start provides high-quality work experience in the world of business**



**Smart  
Start**

Through a five-day programme of workshops and group tasks, Smart Start offers a prestigious route to gaining skills and experience **highly valued** by employers and education providers alike. Beyond the week, participants benefit from support with university applications, mentoring, the chance to apply for a bursary and employability support whilst at university.

Since its launch in 2009, Smart Start has supported more than 1,569 young people, won multiple awards and gained accreditation from **City & Guilds** and **Skills Builder**.

Smart Start 2022 will take place at the A&O London office in the week commencing 18 July. All successful applicants are required to attend a mock assessment day at the A&O London Office on Wednesday 25 or Tuesday 31 May.



“After hearing and speaking to lawyers and volunteers from A&O, a career in law seems more achievable. I know what to expect and how to go through the process and take things step-by-step.”

Sadia, 2021 Smart Start participant

## 2. Smart Applications

**Smart Applications is a separate, virtual programme which ensures those who cannot or do not want to travel to London do not miss out on gaining **real insight into the world of work.****

Taking place across 8 webinars in June and July 2022, participants will gain interview experience, network with employees and develop valuable employability skills, alongside support with university and apprenticeship applications.

### How to apply

Year 12s are able to apply for one or both programmes through the same application process. Successful applicants will take part in either Smart Start or Smart Applications - you cannot attend both.

To be considered, you must meet Allen & Overy's [eligibility requirements](#).

**Anyone wishing to apply must attend a virtual [Smart Choices event](#) in March/April 2022, which will provide support on the next steps and help you develop strategies that lay the foundation for a successful career. You can register [here](#).**

“I was inspired by the people I spoke to and the entire experience taught me so many new things. My personal skills also improved dramatically.”

Julius, 2021 Smart Start participant



**access**  
creative college

Book onto an Open Day  
or Virtual Meet and Greet

# YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS AVAILABLE

STAGE DESIGN  
SOUND ENGINEERING  
LIGHTING ENGINEERING  
VENUE MANAGEMENT

PLEASE SEE MRS NEWTON IN LIBRARY FOR MORE DETAILS



MEDICAL WORK EXPERIENCE!

## WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

We are excited to announce that the largest free national work experience programme for your aspiring medical, dental and veterinary students has returned. This was developed last year in partnership with Birmingham Universities Hospitals Trust and it is free for students from 10-13 or S3-S6 year groups to participate in. We took a small break from the virtual work experience programme in November to convert the LIVE teaching into E-learning courses that students can now complete in their own time. Students have 1 month to complete each session, and once they have completed the programme they will receive a certificate from Medic Mentor and UHB as evidence of their participation. Medical Schools are accepting virtual work experience as an alternative to in-person work experience in light of the pandemic and reduced access to placements.

Participation in the virtual work experience will also provide students (and their parents) with several opportunities to speak to doctors, dentists and vets continuously throughout the academic year. They will be able to do this on Tuesday evenings and most weekends, for free. They can also call the Mentor Helpline number 01530 417 299 from 10am-5pm Mon-Fri if they would like to advice on careers or applying to medical, dental, vet school. Mostly this number is manned by Doctors. Medic Mentor is a non-profit social enterprise and all of our proceeds are reinvested in supporting students to make informed career decisions.

**Registering for these programmes could not be easier, all they need to do is complete the free online application form for:**

Medicine: <https://medicmentor.co.uk/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/>

Dentistry: <https://medicmentor.co.uk/dental-live-virtual-work-experience/>

Veterinary: <https://medicmentor.co.uk/veterinary-virtual-live-work-experience/>

WHAT IS  
MEDIC  
MENTOR?





# Apprenticeships

## Our apprenticeship programmes

We offer apprenticeships right across our business. Whether you're looking hands-on or office-based work, there's something for you.

Our apprenticeships range from 1 to 4 years, and the qualifications you'll get range from level 3 (equal to an A-level), to level 6 (equal to a degree).

We have schemes for everyone. We want to hear from you, no matter what your journey has been like up until this point.

Your ambition is our future, and we can't wait to see you grow.

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### Apprenticeships out and about

Network engineering, Water production, and Waste treatment.

OPERATIONAL APPRENTICESHIPS



### Apprenticeships in the office

Human resources, Technology, Finance, and Project management.

OFFICE-BASED APPRENTICESHIPS

[MORE INFO AND TO APPLY](#)

# What is UNIQ

DEADLINE APPROACHING!!

UNIQ is the University of Oxford's access programme for students from diverse backgrounds. We prioritise places for students with good academic grades and diverse backgrounds that are under-represented at Oxford and our partner institutions. Every year more students from diverse backgrounds get offered places at Oxford with help from UNIQ.

The UNIQ residential summer school started in 2010 and we continue to make changes to improve the support we provide to UNIQ students. In the last two years UNIQ has been delivered online, due to the pandemic.

UNIQ 2022 will build on the successes of previous years, offering students both an academic residential in Oxford and a sustained online admissions support programme.

## APPLICATIONS CLOSE 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2022

Experience Oxford in person and online.



Applications to UNIQ 2022 are now open.  
[Learn more about our selection criteria here.](#)



### WHAT IS UNIQ

Do you have good school grades but are not sure if Oxford, or university, is right for you? Our free UNIQ programme might be just what you need.



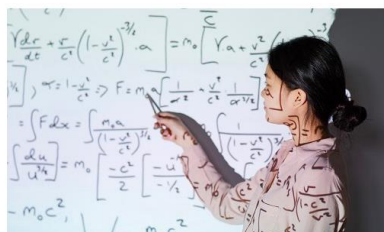
### APPLY TO UNIQ

Applications for UNIQ 2022 open 10 January.



### WHO GOES ON UNIQ?

UNIQ helps many students from diverse backgrounds to make successful applications to the University of Oxford. Find out more about UNIQ selection criteria here.



### EXPLORE NEW SUBJECTS

Choosing which course you study at University is an important decision for all students, so please look at the range of UNIQ courses we offer before making your decision.



### UNIQ 2022

After two years of delivering UNIQ online, UNIQ 2022 welcomes back UNIQ students to Oxford for a summer residential and offers a sustained online programme of admissions support.



### KEY DATES

Make sure you get your application in by 7 February 2022. Click here for more information on dates across UNIQ.



# Bishop Challenger Sixth Form College

LATE APPLICATIONS WELCOME!

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Consistently high pass rate in all  
subject areas

Excellent Progression routes to  
Universities and alternatives to  
Higher Education

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# UNIFEST 2022



## WHAT IS UNIFEST?

UniFest Summer Schools take place at 6 universities across the West Midlands. UniFest gives you the chance to spend time exploring university life, meeting students and staff, making friends and having an action packed, fun experience!

## WHO IS UNIFEST FOR?

UniFest is for students in Year 10 at state-funded secondary schools in the West Midlands who are from backgrounds and communities that are less likely to be considering university as an option. To apply for a place, you will need the support of your school and the consent of your parents or carers, and you should be able to answer “Yes” to at least one of the following:

- My parents or carers did not go to university
- I receive Free School Meals
- I have a disability or learning difficulty
- I am in the care of my local authority
- I am a young carer
- I live in an area where not many young people go to university

## WHAT WILL I DO?

That depends on which UniFest event you choose! Some explore university life and study in general and others focus on certain career or study options. All UniFest events include lots of hands-on sessions, and a packed programme of fun social activities!

## WHAT'S THE CATCH?

There is no catch. UniFest is funded by universities and schools **and is totally free of charge**. For residential UniFest events, meals, accommodation and activities are all paid for (although you may want to bring a little pocket money with you). The universities will help you plan how to get to and from events.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY**



# FIND YOUR ROLE

RAF VIRTUAL EVENT  
**ACCESS ALL  
AREAS**

**THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup>  
FEBRUARY  
18:30-20:30**

Explore the roles of the RAF within an immersive hangar with an opportunity to discover information on key roles, as well as chat live with a specialist RAF recruiter. All from the comfort of your own home.

- **Find out more about life in the RAF**
- **An immersive, interactive 360° experience**
- **Find your force - discover a role for you**
- **Download role specific information**
- **Chat live with an RAF recruiter - have your questions answered**

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ORDINARY  
JOB**



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We offer enhanced Level 3 and Level 6 apprenticeships in Engineering, Manufacturing and Business. They include a range of benefits such as fully funded qualifications, excellent development opportunities and a competitive salary.

Find out more and apply at [www.bmwgroup.jobs/uk](http://www.bmwgroup.jobs/uk) (under "Opportunities", search "Apprentice") or use the QR code.

**Applications close on Sunday, 20th February 2022.**



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GROUP**



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MOBILITY THROUGH  
PROGRAMMES, RESEARCH  
AND POLICY INFLUENCE

## OUR PROGRAMMES

We support young people from less advantaged backgrounds to access leading universities and careers. In partnership with universities and employers, we run engaging programmes that give students practical advice and leave them feeling inspired and more confident about their future.

Our programmes are completely free to attend. All costs - including travel, accommodation, food and activities – are paid for by the Trust and our partners.

### Apply for a programme

[OPEN NOW](#)   [OPENING SOON](#)   [VIEW ALL](#)

**PROGRAMME STATUS: NOW CLOSED**

OPENING DATE: 18/11/2021

AGE: 16-18

LOCATION: USA

Get a taste of what it's like to be a student in the US.

**APPRENTICESHIP SUMMER SCHOOL**

PROGRAMME STATUS: **OPEN NOW**

OPENING DATE: 11/01/2022

AGE: YEAR 12 (ENGLAND & WALES), YEAR 13 (NORTHERN IRELAND) OR S5 (SCOTLAND)

LOCATION: UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Find out more about what a degree-level apprenticeship would be like.

**UK SUMMER SCHOOLS**

PROGRAMME STATUS: **OPEN NOW**

OPENING DATE: 11/01/2022

AGE: YEAR 12 (ENGLAND & WALES), YEAR 13 (NORTHERN IRELAND) OR S5 (SCOTLAND)

LOCATION: NATIONWIDE

Get a taste of life as a university student in the UK.

[FIND THE RIGHT PROGRAMME FOR YOU](#)

[FIND OUT MORE HERE](#)



# ALLIED HEALTHCARE MENTOR

The Only LIVE NHS Healthcare Careers Virtual Work Experience In The  
UK **Run By Healthcare Professionals!**

Let us help you to take your first steps into the world of healthcare careers. It is live, giving you the chance to interact with healthcare professionals, but from the comfort and safety of your own home. Join thousands of other students who are exploring healthcare careers with the help of our LIVE simulated high fidelity work experience programme!

**FIND OUT MORE HERE**

## Completely Unique Experience

Follow multiple patients over a 6-month period, as they go from their initial injury to recovery. It is amazing how many different healthcare professionals are involved in a patient's care. This incredible opportunity showcases a variety of professionals in one day. It gives students a chance to see them in action in various settings from the ward to the community. It is also a fantastic opportunity to see them work together in a multidisciplinary team.

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. Students will observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and and also each other. Students will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching. This will help students to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team. Each work experience day is completely different and students will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and their healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community. For this reason we recommend that students attend one work experience a month for 6 months to not only gain a deeper knowledge of multidisciplinary teams in general but also their chosen careers.

Allied Healthcare Mentor are committed to ensuring that students still have the opportunity to gain valuable insight into healthcare careers, even in these difficult times.



# WARWICK PRE-UNIVERSITY SUMMER SCHOOL

5 - 15 JULY 2022

If you are an enthusiastic and motivated 15-17 year old student wishing to have an unforgettable and inspirational summer experience, our **Warwick Pre-University Summer School** is for you.

You will:

- experience a taste of Warwick with like-minded peers at one of the UK's highest ranked universities
- enjoy nine nights on Warwick's beautiful self-contained campus
- spend one night and two days in London, including lots of time to enjoy the capital city and a visit to a top London University
- choose from two courses taught by top Warwick faculty - ***Economics and Finance*** or ***A Taste of Social Sciences***
- live alongside Warwick student ambassadors fully participating in the programme
- visit the famous University City of Oxford
- have a great mix of academic and personal development sessions as well as social and cultural activities
- experience a fully catered programme with no hidden costs
- 94% of 2018 and 2019 students would recommend the Pre-University Summer School**



Why  
Warwick?

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All  
Courses

[Learn more](#)



Social and  
Cultural Activity

[Learn more](#)



Campus and  
Accommodation

[Learn more](#)



Fees and  
Admissions

[Learn more](#)



Practical  
Information

[Learn more](#)

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## Pathway to STEM



Pathway to STEM is an 18-month programme that empowers eligible Year 12 students to achieve their goal of studying STEM courses at University. Students on the scheme receive the following benefits:

- Residential summer school
- E-mentoring
- UCAS and personal statement support
- Study skills support
- A contextual offer

This sustained programme of activity aims to raise students' aspirations, improve their motivation to progress onto Higher Education and provides them with the knowledge, skills and experiences that will enhance their UCAS application. Students must have support from their teachers to apply, including approval for time off school/college where necessary to attend events.

### Who is the Pathway for?

Places on our Pathway are open to Year 12 students who have the potential to enter higher education and are considering a degree in Technology, Engineering and Maths and the Physical Sciences. Please note, this Pathway does not cover Medicine and Healthcare courses as these subjects are covered in our Pathway to Healthcare programme.

Please note that places on the programme are limited. If the programme is oversubscribed then places will be offered by random allocation to all eligible applicants until the programme is full. Those students who are not on the standard programme will be offered a flexible programme of activities that covers the information, advice and guidance provided by the standard programme but without a residential summer school and e-mentoring. Students who are interested in applying must meet the eligibility criteria as below.

**Applications must be submitted by 5pm on Friday 4th March. Any applications submitted after this time and date will not be considered.**

# UNIVERSITY MASTERCLASSES, EXPLORE DAYS AND SUBJECT ACTIVITIES

*(BOOKING NOW OPEN – SEE MRS NEWTON FOR MORE DETAILS)*

For more information click on the images below.



BIRMINGHAM CITY  
University

We have created a range of resources for you to help you explore the world of Higher Education.

**BCU RESOURCE HUB  
FIND OUT MORE HERE**







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BCU**

**ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOLS  
AND COLLEGES**

**2021/22**





# Aston University

Birmingham

## Student Recruitment and Outreach activities for post-16 students



Aston University's post-16 programme provides sixth form and college students, as well as offering fantastic opportunities for students to discover more about studying a particular subject at university.

### Subject-specific activities

[College of Business and Social Sciences](#)  
[College of Engineering and Physical Sciences](#)  
[College of Health and Life Sciences](#)

### Other Activities

[KS5 Campus Experience Days](#)  
[Advice & guidance](#)  
[Open days](#)  
[UniBuddy](#)

# WHERE CAN I GET MORE HELP & ADVICE?

SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF THE CAREERS TEAM, YOUR  
FORM TUTORS OR HOY.

## CAREERS TEAM

### Who are we and what do we do?

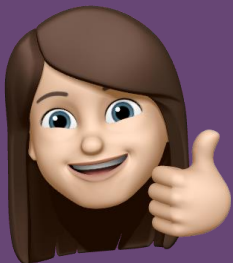


#### **Ms Darby**

**Student Services – Post 16/Careers Leader**

*Responsible for the delivery of Bishop Challoner's careers programme.*

***e.darby@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk***



#### **Mrs Colgan**

**Careers Advisor**

*Provides impartial information, advice and guidance in order to help students make decisions about their future.*

***e.colgan@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk***



#### **Mrs Newton**

**Sixth Form & Careers Support/ Work Experience Co-ordinator**

*Supports Careers and Sixth Form events, masterclass programme and produces the opportunities bulletin. Responsible for co-ordinating Year 10 & Year 12 Work Experience.*

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**WORK EXPERIENCE  
OPPORTUNITIES**



# **SPEAKERS for schools EXPERIENCE**

YOUNG PEOPLE



## **WHY DO WORK EXPERIENCE?**

Before you make decisions about your future, you need to know about the opportunities that are out there.

The Speakers for Schools Experience platform connects you with leading employers from your area who can give you a taste of life in their industry, teach your valuable professional skills and show you how to get where you want to go.

**REGISTER HERE**



# It's time to take control of your future

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# Let's get started

**STUDENT SIGN UP**

# PATHWAYS TO PROPERTY

Discover where a career in property can take you

APPLICATIONS OPEN  
JANUARY 2022



Where business comes to life

## GET INVOLVED

- Four-day, fully-funded **Summer School** for Year 12 students held at Henley Business School, University of Reading
- Opportunity to take part in a one-week **work experience placement** in a real estate and planning firm
- **E-mentoring** programme
- **Open Online Course** – free and open to all. Runs all year round and requires six hours of study
- Summer School attendees who enrol on a property-related degree course at any University are eligible to apply for a **bursary of £30,000** over three years of study
- Summer School attendees who enrol onto a real estate and planning degree at Henley Business School, University of Reading will be awarded a **£1,000 Welcome Bursary**

For more details visit:

[henley.ac.uk/alumni/support-henley/pathways-to-property](https://henley.ac.uk/alumni/support-henley/pathways-to-property)



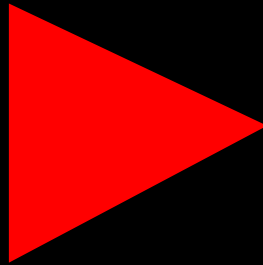
@PathsToProperty







## Police Officer Recruitment



Our officers play a vital role in ensuring that the communities of the West Midlands are kept safe. It isn't easy but it is rewarding and can be a career like no other. We want people to join us who have a range of life experiences and backgrounds; it is vital that we represent all of the communities that we serve.

Policing uses plenty of **everyday skills**, from being able to reassure someone who has been a victim of crime to just being that friendly face that encourages a vulnerable person to open up and talk. Our training equips officers for the specialist skills they need to do the job, but it's the **human touch** – kindness, humour, friendliness and empathy – that people remember.

[FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)



**APPRENTICESHIP  
OPPORTUNITIES**

# arqiva

## **Apprenticeship Opportunities in the West Midlands with Arqiva**

In case you haven't heard of us before, Arqiva is one of the most well known companies which you have never heard of, working behind the scenes, connecting broadcasters and utilities companies such as the BBC and ITV to customers.

**CURRENT  
OPPORTUNITIES**



**STEM**  
LEARNING

**APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN**



**Nuffield Research Placements**  
**Nuffield Research Placements (NRPs) are**  
**engaging, real-life research or**  
**development projects, where talented year**  
**12 (or equivalent) students are placed at**  
**the heart of a UK host organisation.**

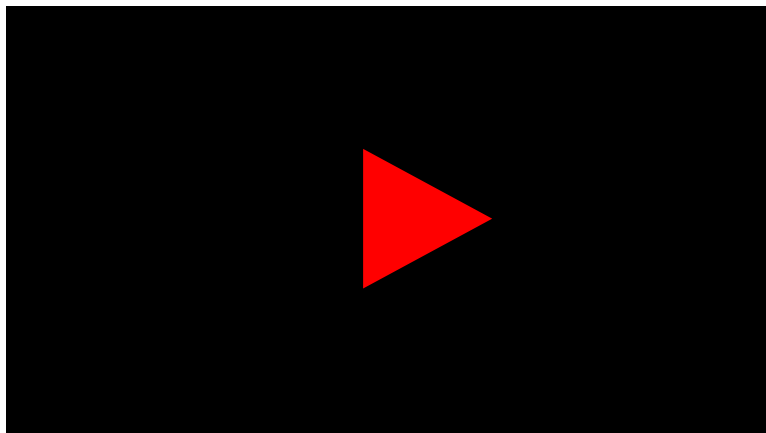
**They are a fantastic opportunity for students to apply skills and**  
**knowledge learned at school while providing a meaningful contribution to**  
**the work of researchers and industry professionals.**

### Students

Find out what participating means,  
how to check you're eligible and what  
you need to submit an application.



**FIND OUT  
MORE**



# EY Foundation

The EY Foundation Programmes are exclusively for young people who are aged 16 and above, and have been recently eligible for free school meals, a college bursary or Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA). We also have a specific programme designed for young people with experience in care.

Which programme is right for me?

If you wish to apply directly yourself, then **Smart Futures** is for you.

The **Our Future** and **Beyond Your Limits** programmes run on a referral system from a teacher, a social worker or other youth worker. Share the programme pages with them to see if they can support you to take part in either of these programmes.

If you are unsure and have any questions, please email us at [enquiries@eyfoundation.ey.com](mailto:enquiries@eyfoundation.ey.com) and our friendly team can help!



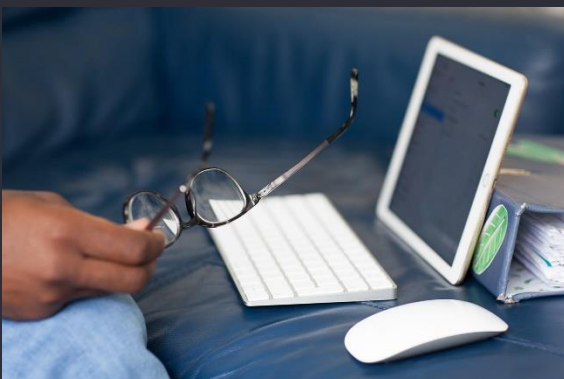
## Smart Futures

If you are in Year 12 (or S5 in Scotland) and have been recently eligible for free school meals, a college bursary or Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) then you will be eligible to apply



## Our Future

If you are aged 16-19 in full-time education, may have struggled with school in the past and have five or less GCSE's, this programme could be suitable for you. To apply you must also have been recently eligible for free school meals, a college bursary



## Beyond Your Limits

If you are a care-experienced young person aged 16-20 and in full or part-time education, this programme may be suitable for you.



## Smart Futures

Get paid to have a great experience of work

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## What is Smart Futures?

- It is a ten month programme which starts with paid work experience in the summer or Easter3 .
- A mentor will support you throughout the programme to advise you on one of the biggest career choices you will make — the first step in your working life.
- You will be invited to a series of alumni events throughout your final year at school or college from learning about different industries to opportunities to practice your networking skills.
- You will gain a wide variety of transferable skills to give you a head start in your career.
- Smart Futures is accredited by the Institute of Leadership and Management (ILM) which looks great at your CV and at interview.

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**Smart Futures Professional Services**

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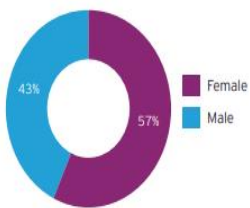
## What is Smart Futures Professional Services?

- It is a two year programme which starts with paid work experience and employability skills training during school holidays.
- You will learn about the professional services industry and receive opportunities to practice your networking skills.
- You will gain a wide variety of transferable skills, giving you a head start on learning more about successfully securing a job in the professional services industry.
- A mentor will support you for up to 24 months and advise you as you take the first step in your working life – helping you with application and recruitment processes as well as providing ongoing support.
- The experience can make you more employable, helping you with your next steps into working in professional services whether that's on a school leaver or apprenticeship pathway.
- You will also be invited to a series of events throughout your final school year to further build your skills and experience.
- Smart Futures Professional Services is formally recognised and approved by the Institute of Leadership and Management.
- Our national programme will be delivered virtually this year. We welcome students from across England and Scotland and applicants from Black backgrounds.

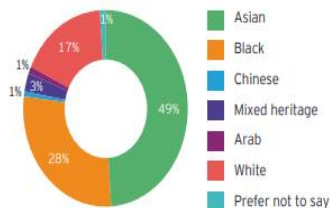
### Who we work with

Smart Futures Professional Services is supported by a range of employer partners across the UK in the professional services industry.

#### Gender split<sup>2</sup>



#### Ethnic backgrounds



<sup>1</sup> From 2021 onwards

<sup>2</sup> Based on data collected from Smart Futures respondents between July 2019-June 2020

<sup>3</sup> Out of 284 Smart Futures respondents



of our young people rated the Smart Futures programme as Good or Excellent.<sup>3</sup>



of our young people said they were extremely, very or confident that the support they received will help them get a job after education.<sup>3</sup>

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**MAKE A  
DIFFERENCE  
MAKE YOUR  
MARK**

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### **Why volunteer?**

Volunteering helps you make a difference to something you care about and learn new talents too. There are loads of ways to volunteer; whether you've got an hour or a week, are into music or sport, whatever's your thing, volunteering lets you make your mark.

[Find out more](#)

### **Volunteering Tips**

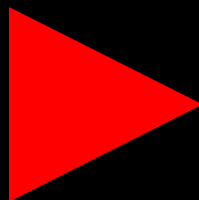
If you're keen to volunteer but looking for a bit more practical advice on how to get involved (and perhaps some inspiration too), then you're in the right place. We've gathered all of the top tips on how to volunteer here, just for you.

[Get the top tips](#)

### **Volunteer Centres**

Volunteer Centres can offer you additional support finding volunteer roles in your local area. To see if there is a Volunteer Centre near you, visit the NCVO website.

[Find a Volunteer](#)







NCVO champions the voluntary sector and volunteering because they're essential for a better society. We do this by connecting, representing and supporting voluntary organisations.

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Volunteering can make a real difference to your own life and the lives of those around you. There are loads of ways to get involved and plenty of organisations that can help you find your dream role.

So how do you go about finding the right volunteering role for you? Here are three steps to follow:

**1. Think about what interests or excites you.**

This could be something you enjoyed doing before, or something completely new.

**2. Think about what time or skills you can give.**

With so many opportunities to choose from, it's a great idea to narrow down the choices by deciding what you're willing to give.

**3. Get researching!**

NCVO doesn't hold a list of roles, there are simply too many. But you can:

1. go to your local volunteer centre
2. search the internet
3. ask friends what they do
4. or check out one of the online opportunity finders below.





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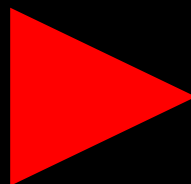
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Uptree is hosting over 30 work experience events this term alone! With a wide variety of companies hosting in person and online events - you're sure to find something that interests you.

**UPTREE NEWSLETTER**

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**Banking & Finance**

**Engineering**

**Energy**

**Retail**

**Construction**

**Third Sector – Charity** (not for profit)

**Business & Admin**

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## **VOLUNTEERING & WORK EXPERIENCE IN PARKS**

**Volunteering is a great way to take an active role in caring for and improving your local park. You can volunteer on an ongoing basis, or just join us for a few hours.**

**Thousands of people volunteer in Birmingham's parks each year. There are lots of opportunities to get involved, for people of all ages, abilities. In most cases you don't need prior experience, and training and equipment is provided.**

**If you're at school, college or university, you can also apply to complete a work placement with us.**

**FIND OUT ABOUT VOLUNTEERING**

**FIND OUT ABOUT WORK  
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# BIRMINGHAM CAREERS SERVICE

Contact us



Birmingham Careers Service is a free and friendly support service providing careers information, advice and guidance to young people aged 16 to 19 who are not in education, employment or training (NEET). If a young person has a learning difficulty and/or disability then we can help them until they are 25.

## Marketplace

**Visit Birmingham Careers Service Marketplace  
and check into the following rooms:**

- Room 1 - College & 6<sup>th</sup> Form
- Room 2 - Training Provider Room
- Room 3 - Opportunities for me
- Room 4 - Careers Library
- Room 5 – SEND Information
- Room 6 – Personal Development
- Room 7 – Activities





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## LEARN SOMETHING NEW!

### Why study a free course on OpenLearn?

Our courses have been proven to increase confidence and develop the skills needed to enter Higher Education and succeed with learning. You can choose an **OpenLearn** course from a wide range of subjects. Some are based on Open University course materials. Others are written specifically for **OpenLearn**.

The OpenLearn logo is displayed in white text on a dark blue rectangular background.A light blue, rounded square button with the text "REGISTER NOW" in red, tilted slightly to the right.

### What are the advantages?

- **OpenLearn free courses are available immediately**
- Our courses do not have a start and end date. You can start right away or at a time that suits you.
- **You can work through at your own pace**
- You can spend as long as you like on an **OpenLearn** course, plus, if you sign up you can track your progress and work towards a **statement of participation**.
- **There are around 1000 courses to choose from**
- The courses always focus on a specific area of learning. Some focus on important and fascinating academic subjects, whilst others help you develop skills needed for study or work.
- **You can try out what's on offer from The Open University**
- If you're interested in taking an Open University course but are not sure what to study or if distance learning is right for you, then **OpenLearn** lets you get a feel for what's on offer.



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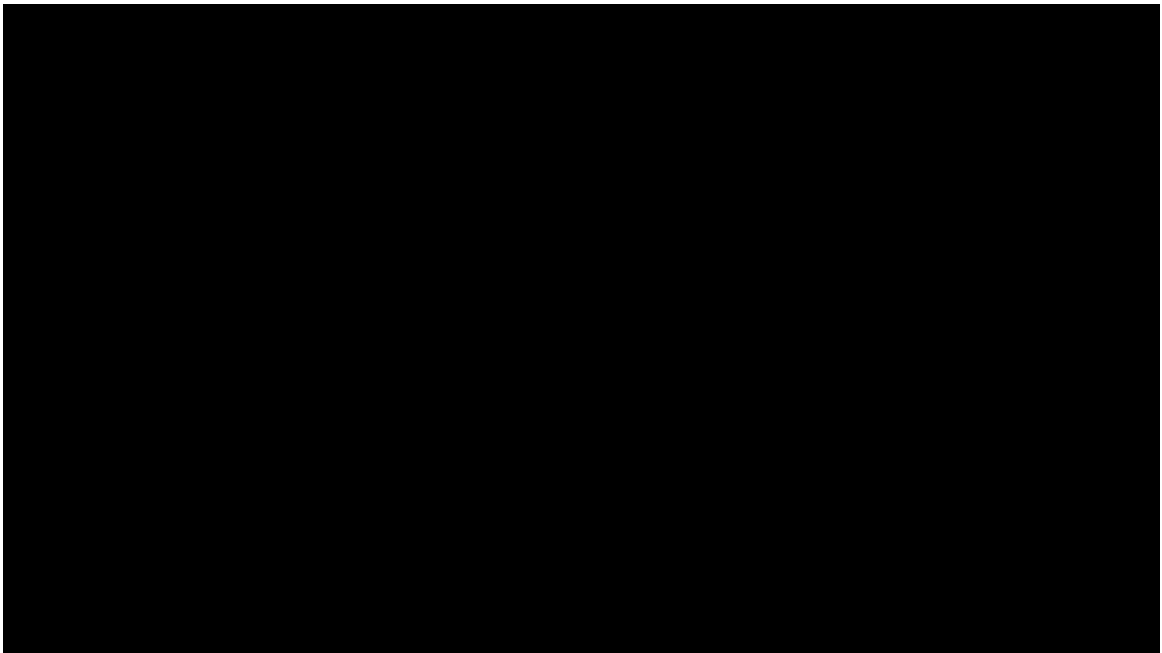
MSC Medical Schools Council



Royal College of  
General Practitioners

## Observe GP

Observe GP is an alternative to work experience for aspiring medics aged 16 and over, who are living in the UK. It is a free interactive video platform providing insights into the role of a GP and the wider primary care team.



Observe GP is supported by the Medical Schools Council as a suitable element of relevant experience to help prepare an application to medical school.

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# YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

## The Young Professionals App

Everything you need to find an apprenticeship or work experience scheme, all in one place.

### One Simple Platform

One brilliant app that will allow you to unleash your career potential. Search for your ideal job, employer and key location quickly and easily

### Kick Start Your Career

View hundreds of job opportunities from leading employers who will help you turn your first job into a rewarding career

### Personal Profile

Create your own profile to showcase you to potential employers! Take your video, upload your skills and get yourself discovered!



### Targeted Notifications

Receive notifications about all of the jobs that match your choices and your job match profile

### Keeping up to Date

Pick your favorite employers and follow them to grab the best opportunities as soon as they are listed. Connect directly with the key decision makers and fast track your interview process

### You are in control!

Post out relevant content, videos and images to your fans and help you grow a good professional profile to kick start your early career!





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## Work Experience

Year 11 & Year 12

There are a number of organisations who provide an insight into their business for GCSE and A level students. **Work experience** can range from 1 day to 2 weeks and is a great opportunity for students to get exposure to these organisations. It will help in future applications.

### Who offers work experience for school students?

There are a large number of companies offering **work experience** days and weeks to 16-18 year olds. There is strong representation from the finance industry and investment banks such as Credit Suisse, from professional services firms such as Ernst & Young, from legal firms such as Pinsent Masons and Old Square Chambers and from media companies such as The Guardian.

Please click on the links below to access details of each work placement.

Information on: [WRITING YOUR CV AND COVERING LETTER](#)

Information on: [HOW TO EXCEL IN INTERVIEWS](#)

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| <a href="#">Medicine, Dentistry, Vets</a> | <a href="#">Miscellaneous</a> | <a href="#">Professional Services</a> | <a href="#">Summer School</a> |

For more details and how to apply:

<https://www.studentladder.co.uk/work-experience/>



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## LOOKING FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP

REGISTER  
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Register with [NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP SERVICE](#) to receive regular updates on current opportunities. Create an account and you can specify the types of apprenticeships you are interested in.



You can also search [www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk) and have access to over 2000 new opportunities including apprenticeships, employment, training and much more.



[www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/apprentice/find-an-apprenticeship](http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/apprentice/find-an-apprenticeship) allows you to browse for a wide range of apprenticeships.



[www.amazingapprenticeships.com](http://www.amazingapprenticeships.com) gives you more information on anything you wanted to know about apprenticeships.



[www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk](http://www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk) links to blogs, vacancies and how-to-guides.



[www.careerpilot.org.uk](http://www.careerpilot.org.uk) Careers information and tools for 11 – 19 year olds all in one place.

Many employers also have a dedicated section on their websites related to recruitment where they post apprenticeship information.

These are sometimes posted before they are on the National Apprenticeships site so it's well worth looking around.



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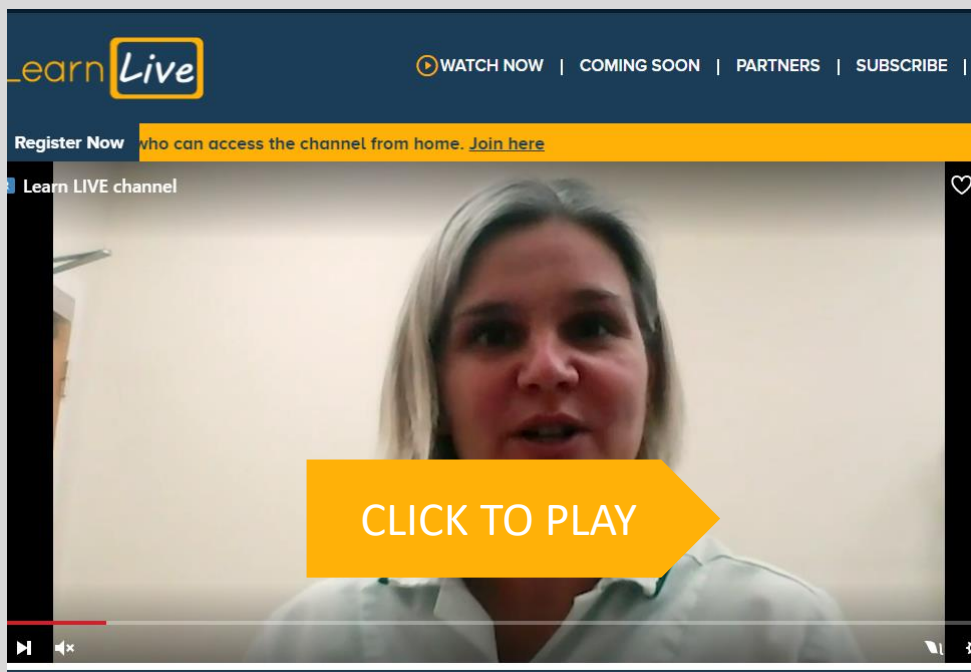


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## Learn **Live**

Learn Live seeks to inspire the next generation through engaging and interactive live broadcasts direct into the classroom. Learn Live have worked successfully with companies like The BBC, Balfour Beatty, Gatwick Airport, National Apprenticeship Service, Lancashire LEP, Network Rail, IBM, Health Education England and The NHS since 2015 to deliver careers advice, recruitment opportunities and health awareness broadcasts into schools and colleges across the UK.



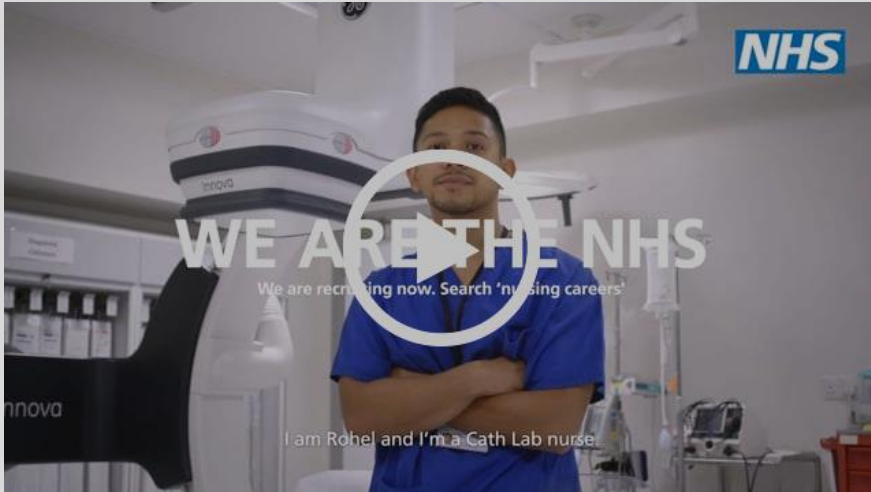
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**Nursing** is such a versatile career choice. Where else could you work in a hospital, GP surgery, hospice, patients' homes, school or prison? It's a career that travels well, so nursing is a great choice if you're keen to work abroad in future too!

Whatever specialty you choose, one thing is certain – you'll be part of a team that makes a huge difference to patients from day one.

## Getting started

Studying for a degree is essential to being a registered adult, children's, learning disability or mental health nurse. But do you know there are different routes when it comes to getting into the profession?

Finding a healthcare assistant role is a great way to get a taste of what nursing is like. Or a nursing associate apprenticeship provides great experience in different settings while studying for a foundation degree (which can be put towards a full degree).

**Registered nursing degree apprenticeships are available in some areas too without the need to study full time at university. And some universities are offering adult nursing courses where the theoretical content is mainly delivered online – a great option for more mature students who need to fit studies around their home life.**