



OPPORTUNITIES BULLETIN

06.10.22

MASTERCLASS

UNIVERSITY MASTERCLASSES ARE A GREAT WAY TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT DEGREE SUBJECTS AND UNIVERSITY LIFE.

MORE INFORMATION ON UNIVERSITY MASTERCLASSES AND SUBJECT TASTER SESSIONS CAN BE FOUND ON PAGE 4.

PLEASE SEE MRS NEWTON IN THE LIBRARY IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BOOK A PLACE.

BISHOP CHALLONER SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 9th November

6pm - 8.30pm



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DEADLINE TONIGHT!

Destination STEMM – Chemical Sciences

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Student Eligibility:

- From a Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic background
- Currently in Year 12 and studying Chemistry A level or equivalent at college/Sixth form
- Planning to go university to study Chemistry or considering a career in the chemical sciences
- Currently a UK resident and studying in the UK or Republic of Ireland

The deadline to apply is **Thursday 6th October at midnight**, and we encourage early application.

Further details on the programme can be found here: <https://www.windsor-fellowship.org/programmes/stemm-chemical-sciences/>

APPLY HERE

DEADLINE APPROACHING!



PATHWAYS TO THE PROFESSIONS

2022-2023

There's just two weeks to go until applications close for the **Pathway to the Professions Programmes at Aston University.**

Places are open to students entering Year 12 in 2022 who have a potential to enter HE and are considering a degree in **MEDICINE, HEALTHCARE, LAW, BUSINESS OR ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY (STEM)** - applications should be completed via our [online application form](#) before **5.00pm on Friday 7th October 2022.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON
ELIGIBILITY AND HOW TO APPLY
CLICK HERE**

DEADLINE APPROACHING!



West Midlands Webinar Series (for Year 12 students) – October & November

We are excited to be working alongside colleges at both the University of Oxford and University of Cambridge for the return of the collaborative West Midlands Webinars 2022. These will be a series of four online sessions for Year 12 students at state schools or sixth form colleges in the West Midlands. Your Year 12 students are very much encouraged to register [here](#).

THE WEBINAR SERIES

The webinars will cover various aspects of applying to, preparing for and studying at Oxford and Cambridge, and will be suitable for any student hoping to apply to competitive universities. If you're a high-achieving student (aiming to achieve above AAA at A Level), intellectually curious and ambitious, then these webinars will be a great start for your university journey. Whilst they will be focused on the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, much information should still be useful in thinking about universities more widely and preparing to apply.

FORMAT

These sessions will be run using the platform **Zoom**. As these sessions will run as webinars, your camera and microphone will not be enabled, and you will only be able to communicate with the hosts/panelists running the session by typing questions into the Q&A box.

PROGRAMME

Joining details will only be sent via email to those with a confirmed place.

Date & Time	Session	Colleges
17:00-18:00, Thursday 6th October 2022	An Introduction to Oxford & Cambridge	Newnham College Cambridge & University College Oxford
17:00-18:00, Thursday 20th October 2022	Oxford & Cambridge: A Student's Perspective	Sidney Sussex Cambridge, Clare College Cambridge & current undergraduates from Oxford and Cambridge
17:00-18:00, Thursday 3rd November 2022	The Oxbridge Application Process: A Masterclass	Christ's College Cambridge & Keble College Oxford
17:00-18:00, Thursday 17th November 2022	Competitive Applications: Preparing in Year 12	St John's College Cambridge & Oriel College Oxford

UNIVERSITY MASTERCLASSES, EXPLORE DAYS AND SUBJECT ACTIVITIES

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

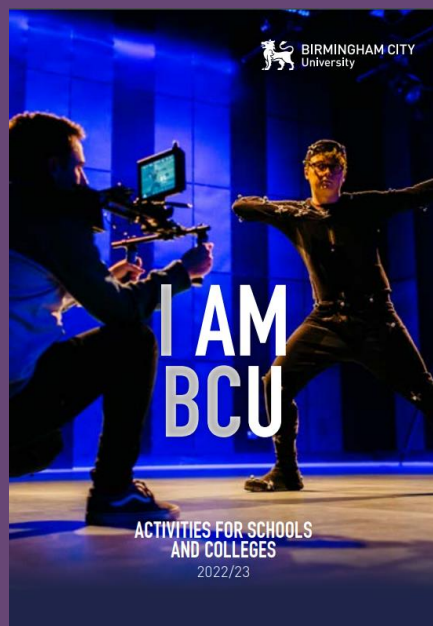
For more information click on the images below.



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

**BCU RESOURCE HUB
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ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOLS
AND COLLEGES

2022/23

DEADLINE APPROACHING!

INSIGHT TO

CRS

**Charles Russell
Speechlys**

**TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER
5PM - 6:30PM**

**SOLICITORS APPRENTICESHIP
OPPORTUNITIES &
LEGAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

SIGN UP HERE



Medicine Futures

Are you a Year 12 / first year college student?

Interested in developing your insight into Medicine and the application process?

Our 12 month Medicine Futures programme, delivered by academics, students, and NHS professionals, will help you develop your insight, confidence and skills to support your application to study Medicine.

Sessions take place online on Wednesday evenings, with two visits to the University of Leeds campus taking place during the school holidays.

To apply for a place on the programme, you must meet our widening participation criteria.

Applications open on Monday 10th October and close on Sunday 27th November.

[Find out more](#)
[and apply today.](#)



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS



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West Midlands Educator Newsletter

Below are some opportunity highlights, click the links to find out more!

National Diversity Day with United Utilities

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 7/10/22



Water for the North West

Application deadline:
02/10/2022

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

Insight into accountancy with Azets

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 13/10/22



Application deadline:
03/10/2022

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Careers in dietetics with Birmingham Community NHS Trust

Dates: 25/10/22



Student application deadline:
24/09/22

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Masterclass with TV Documentary Director Liana Stewart

Dates: 26/10/22



Student application deadline:
30/09/2022

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

Insight into accountancy with Azets

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 10/11/22



Application deadline:
20/10/2022

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Present yourself with confidence - Tesco

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 24/11/22



Application deadline:
27/10/2022

[FIND OUT MORE](#)



Find Your Future Career at PwC Birmingham

In person insight day

Dates: 16/11/22



Student application deadline:

02/11/22

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Careers in archaeology with Wessex Archaeology

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 15/11/22



Application deadline:

14/10/22

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Careers in the food industry with Harper Adams University

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 13/12/22



Harper Adams University

Application deadline:

22/11/22

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Are your students interested in working with animals?



Wildlife charities Amphibian and Reptile Conservation Trust

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 08/11/22

amphibian and reptile conservation



Application deadline:

21/10/22

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

Wildlife charities Amphibian and Reptile Conservation Trust

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 07/11/22

amphibian and reptile conservation



Application deadline:

21/10/22

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

Veterinary careers and how to get there Harper Adams University

Teacher led Discovery Workshop

Dates: 17/01/2023



Harper Adams University

Application deadline:

16/12/22

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DISCOVER MORE WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES [HERE](#)
OR REGISTER DIRECTLY ON OUR USER PORTAL [HERE](#)

COLLEGE & SIXTH FORM OPEN DAYS

**BIRMINGHAM
CAREERS SERVICE**
guiding young people

YOUR CHOICE
YOUR FUTURE

LOCAL COLLEGE AND SIXTH FORM OPEN DAYS

CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO
ACCESS INFORMATION ON
UPCOMING OPEN DAYS.

[FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION
AND DATES HERE](#)

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**WHAT
UNI?**

University? We can help.

Find courses, read honest reviews, get expert advice.

SEARCH



**[Open day top tips: what to do
\(and what not to do\)](#)**

UniTasterDays

How can UniTasterDays help with your university decisions?



UniTasterDays is a directory of university events for school groups and individual students.



**SEARCH FOR UNIVERSITY EVENTS,
BROWSE ON DEMAND WEBINARS,
ACCESS RESOURCES AND MUCH MORE**

**FIND OUT
MORE HERE**

Let open days open your mind to what a university or college has to offer...

UCAS

1

Plan your day

Decide in advance which talks you want to go to so you don't miss the topics you're interested in.

2

Make notes

There's a lot to take in so it'll help when you come to comparing different universities and colleges afterwards.

3

Get talking!

No one knows a university better than its students, so take the opportunity to talk to them during campus tours and accommodation visits.

4

Ask questions (lots of them!)

Make a list of what you want to know before you set off and check you've got all the answers before heading home.

5

Keep in touch

Take an email address for someone you can contact after your visit in case you think of more questions you'd like to ask.

For open day dates go to

www.ucas.com/open-days-dates



opendays.com

university + college open days

Opendays.com is a web site providing students with university and college open day information.

The most comprehensive open days web site in the UK.

Easily accessible listings of all university and college open days throughout the UK.

DETAILS PROVIDED

Open day dates, booking information, travel details, monthly calendars and mini prospectuses for over 300 universities and colleges in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

EASY TO USE

It is easy to find the information you seek either through a comprehensive search facility or browsing the open day calendar.

ONLINE BOOKING

You can also save details of open days/institutions that interest you and use our 'Online Booking System' to book your place at an open day!

ADVICE SECTION

Higher Education opportunities, What To Do At Open Days, UCAS Forms and Gap Years.

Remember our website opendays.com and tell your friends about the service.





WORK EXPERIENCE DATES

YEAR 10

3rd – 7th JULY 2023 (5 DAYS)

YEAR 12

10th – 14th JULY 2023 (5 DAYS)

For any queries regarding work experience
please contact Mrs Newton at
b.newton@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk

More information and WEX documents and form
can be found on the [Careers Hub](#)

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.

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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.

b.newton@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk

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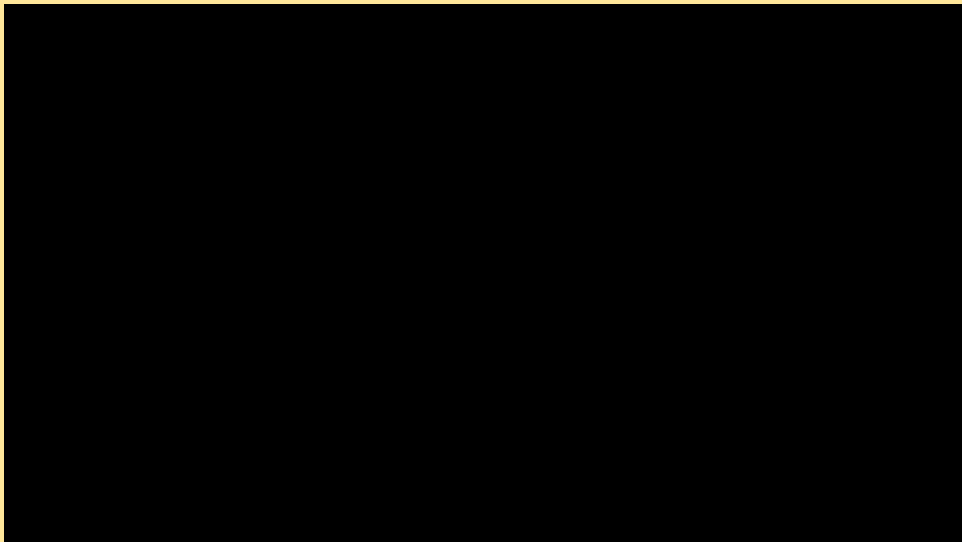
Search and book onto an event to meet us

SMBP WORK INSIGHT & SKILLS PROGRAMMES

The award-winning Social Mobility Business Partnership is running multiple Work Insight & Skills Programmes for students in Year 12/13 (England and Wales), Year 13/14 (Northern Ireland) and S5/S6 (Scotland).

The programme will provide you with the opportunity to spend time with four different high-profile organisations where you will learn about their business, the career routes available to you and develop key skills by getting involved in interactive business-like tasks. Last but not least, you will also spend a day with a professional sports club learning about the psychology of resilience, coping mechanisms and goal achievement models.

Our Work Insight & Skills Programmes run for a full week giving you the opportunity to develop key skills employers look for when recruiting, learn from some of our 170+ business partners based across the UK and boost your confidence and motivation. Watch the video below to see what you can expect from the week!



WHEN DO THE PROGRAMMES TAKE PLACE?

[DATES AND MORE DETAILS CAN BE FOUND HERE](#)

[REGISTER YOUR INTEREST](#)



Autumn Term Open Days

~~Saturday 1st October~~

Saturday 12th November

We'd love to welcome you on to campus for our Autumn Term Open Days!

This is your opportunity to find out more about the courses we run at Aston University, explore our vibrant, city-centre campus and speak to our current students. You can pre-register for our October Open Day now, and we can't wait to meet you!

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

It's time to take control of your future

Meet Springpod - the careers platform where you can experience the world of work & university before applying.

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Springpod

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Let's get started

STUDENT SIGN UP



YEARS
9 - 13

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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**.



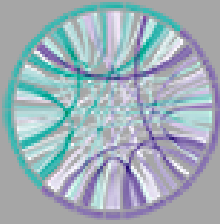
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What are the advantages?

- **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.



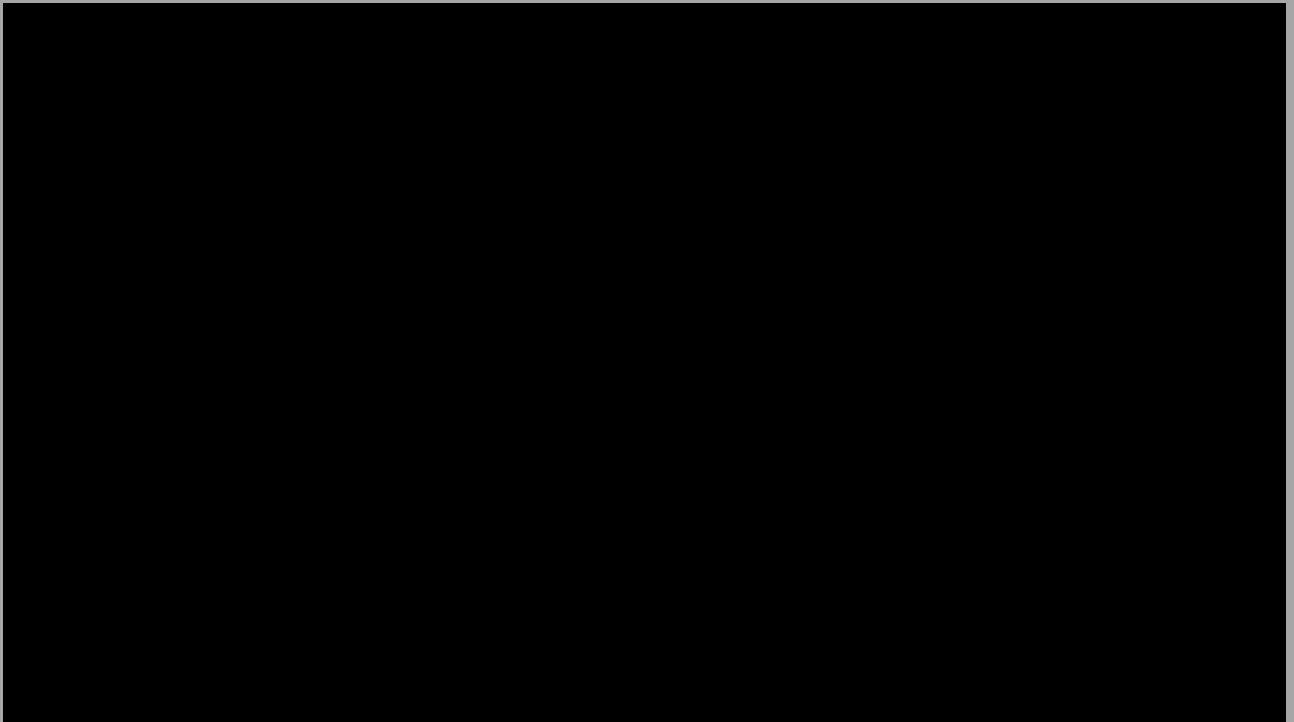
MSC Medical
Schools
Council



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.

FOR MORE INFORMATION



OpenLearn

Free course **Caring in hospitals**

Free statement of participation on completion

You can start this course right now without signing-up.

Click on any of the course content sections below to start at any point in this course.

If you want to be able to track your progress, earn a free Statement of Participation, and access all course quizzes and activities, [sign-up](#).

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Welcome to Success at School!

Success at School is the place for young people to explore careers, get the lowdown on top employers, and search for the latest jobs, courses and advice.

Get career smart and [Register today!](#)



Career Zones

Explore different careers, how to get there and what to study



Employers

Find out about top employers, what it's like to work for them and what they have to offer you



Universities

Explore life on campus and get updates on the latest courses, events and open days

News Go >


Covid-19: Sponsored Gatsby Subject Guides Free...

To help you prepare for the start of National Career Week on 1st March, we're giving you free access to our sponsored Gatsby...

A quarter of survey respondents say their school...


GCSEs and A-levels were cancelled this year due to Covid-19 and replaced with Centre Assessment Grades, with schools and...

Advice Go >




Supporting your child through their GCSEs

Is your child sitting their GCSEs this summer? Wondering what you can do...



Why do an apprenticeship?

Apprenticeships are increasingly becoming a popular option for young people...



How to become a train driver

Train drivers do an important job, helping us travel around and get to where...

Forums Go >

maxillofacial surgeon

Hi, Did my question go through?

What should i do for my GCSE's?

Hi. I was just wondering which GCSE subjects i should pursue for the job of maxillofacial surgeon, (I would prefer to become...

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Why practice mindfulness?

- Understand that stress is a natural response to a challenge
- Pay attention to your thoughts and emotions with kindness
- Transform your anxiety into actions you can take to meet the challenge



 mind

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APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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- Gain independence & confidence
- Develop your skills & experience
- Benefit from Mentor support
- Achieve a nationally recognised qualification
- Progress within Bell

Find out more about us by visiting www.bellgroup.co.uk

To apply for an apprenticeship and attend a local recruitment event, email your details to:

J.cordier@bellgroup.co.uk

NHS APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

NHS apprenticeships

Earn, learn and make a difference with an NHS apprenticeship. Our apprenticeships offer routes into many of the more than 350 NHS careers through a mix of on-the-job training and classroom learning.

What you need to know about NHS apprenticeships

- if you are aged 16 to 18 or 19+ and in your first year of an apprenticeship, the minimum you should receive is £4.30 an hour (the National Minimum Wage for apprentices)
- many NHS employers will pay you more than the minimum wage
- they take between one and five years to complete
- anyone over the age of 16 can do one
- you're likely to spend four days on work placement and one day or at a training centre or college
- you'll develop your skills, including English and maths
- you'll gain a competence qualification (based on what you can do in the workplace) and a knowledge qualification, or a qualification combining both

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

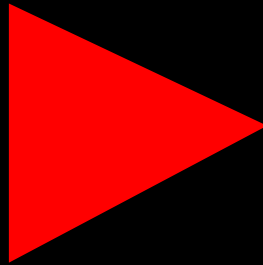
Meet our apprentices





APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

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](#)



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.

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.



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 & 6th 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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PLAYING AN INSTRUMENT	OTHER

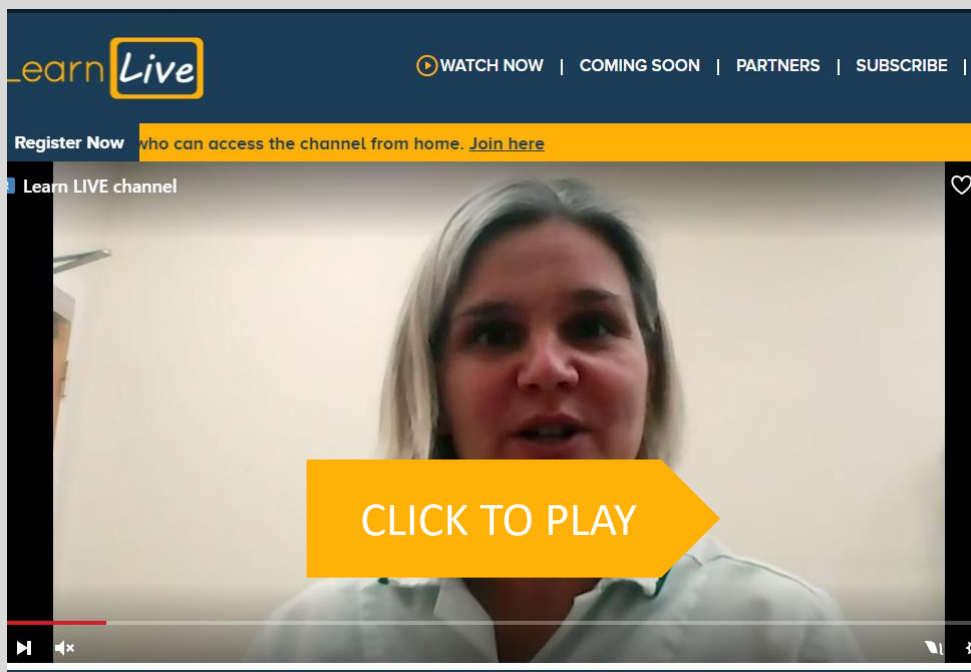


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& TO JOIN