

#### OPPORTUNITIES BULLETIN

02.12.22



AS WE APPROACH THE END OF THE YEAR YOU MAY BE CONSIDERING WHERE TO GO AFTER YR11 OR SIXTH FORM.

THE BULLETIN HAS LOTS OF GREAT LINKS TO HELP YOU DECIDE ON YOUR NEXT STEPS...

SIXTH FORM
APPLICATIONS ARE
STILL OPEN!

**Apply Now** 









STAY IN TOUCH!



#### NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

6th - 12th FEBRUARY 2023

#### NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK

6th - 11th MARCH 2023

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE DATES**

**YEAR 10** 

3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023 (5 DAYS)

**YEAR 12** 

10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023 (5 DAYS)



VIEW OUR SIXTH FORM PROSPECTUS HERE achieved experts in their fier nsistently in excellent progression routes to top universities and alternatives to Higher Education experts in their fier nsistence in the intervence in the same in the intervence in th

## Bishop Challoner Sixth Form College

1 extensive information, advice and student staff relationships are foster guidance programme

Quality teaching from experts in their field

A nurturing environment where outstanding student staff relationships are foster.

High grades achieved consistently in all of the consistently in all others.



**ASPIRE TO BE MORE** 





#### \*NEW\* Year 12 Subject Taster Days – February 2023 Maths & Computer Science/History/Chemistry/French & Spanish

we are looking forward to hosting four in-person Year 12 Subject Taster Days in Oxford in February 2023. These immersive, academically-focused events are designed to support state school students in Year 12 in making informed decisions about their studies. Taster Days in Maths, History, Chemistry and Modern Languages (French & Spanish) will offer information about the courses; insight into research, teaching, and career progression; hands-on application advice; and the opportunity to meet Keble tutors and students who share your interests.

Each student can only select and apply for one subject taster day. Please note that places are limited. We aim to choose students who have potential to make a competitive application to Oxford and who will most benefit from the events. The college will consider information such as GCSE results and predicted grades, and may consider educational and socio-economic background, using similar categories to the contextual data which is used in the Oxford admissions process. In case of over-subscription the College may also have to limit the number of attendees per school, and prioritise spaces for schools in our link regions.

Support is available for attendees' travel expenses. Each Subject Taster Day will run from 10:00-15:00. For any questions contact <a href="mailto:outreach@keble.ox.ac.uk">outreach@keble.ox.ac.uk</a>.

#### Dates & subjects available

Monday 20th February – Mathematics & Computer Science (applicants should be studying Maths at A-Level, open to those interested in either or both courses)

Tuesday 21st February – History (applicants should be studying History at A-Level)

Wednesday 22nd February – Chemistry (applicants should be studying Chemistry and Maths at A-Level)

Thursday 23rd February – Modern Languages (applicants should be studying French and/or Spanish at A-Level)

Apply here for Keble College's Subject Taster Days

Applications for all Subject Taster Days will close at noon on Monday 6th February 2023.

#### YEAR 12 OPPORTUNITY!!



The London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) run programmes that provide students with a taste of university-level teaching and learning at LSE as well as the information needed to apply to LSE and other high-tariff universities.

This opportunity is available to your **students aged 16-17 (in Years 12 or equivalent)**, and the deadline to apply is fast approaching.

The fully funded 10-month hybrid programme includes:

- An online academic programme delivered in collaboration with PhD tutors
- Campus visits to LSE, including an end of programme celebration
- Virtual information sessions on applying to university, student finance and budgeting and personal statements
- Guidance sessions covering such things as careers, revisions skills and student wellbeing

#### YEAR 12 OPPORTUNITY!!

## EY Foundation



#### Opportunity 3: Smart Futures - GCF (Civil services)

Smart Futures is a programme for young people in Year 12 (England) who have been eligible for free school meals or college bursary within the last two years. The programme offers young people the opportunity to develop their employability skills whilst completing a paid work experience placement. The programme starts with 5 days employability skills workshops and then 5 days' work experience.

#### Opportunity 4: Smart Futures Professional services - EY

A programme for young people in Year 12) who have been eligible for free school meals or college bursary within the last two years. The programme offers young people the opportunity to develop their employability skills whilst completing a paid work experience placement. Young people work towards an Institute of Leadership Management (ILM) qualification and 24 months of mentoring support is available during their final year of school. The programme starts with 5 days employability skills workshops and 3 days' work experience.

## For more information and to register: <a href="Smart Futures">Smart Futures</a>



#### Welcome to our opportunit

SIGNUAL Currently open for individual student application













DISCOVER MORE WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES HERE OR REGISTER DIRECTLY ON OUR USER PORTAL HERE

Follow us on:





## SIGNUS Discovery Workshops currently teacher registrations ...

Considering a career in accountancy, but want to know more?

14/12/22

10:00am-11:00am



Application deadline: 08/12/2022

FIND OUT MORE

Veterinary careers How to get there! 17/01/23 10:00-11:00am Harper Adams University Application deadline: 16/12/22

FIND OUT MORE

What is the Sector and what are out there?

> 10/03/23 10:00am-11:00am

Living Well

Application deadline: 24/02/2023

FIND OUT MORE

What apprenticeships are there in the NHS?

> 08/02/2023 9:00 - 10:00am

NHS Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

> Application deadline: 25/01/2023

FIND OUT MORE

How to get started in the Game Industry! 18/01/23 2:00 - 3:00pm www.hollywoodgaming.com Application deadline: 07/01/23 FIND OUT MORE

Apprenticeships and extended degree courses

07/02/2023

10:00-11:00am



Application deadline: 17/01/2023

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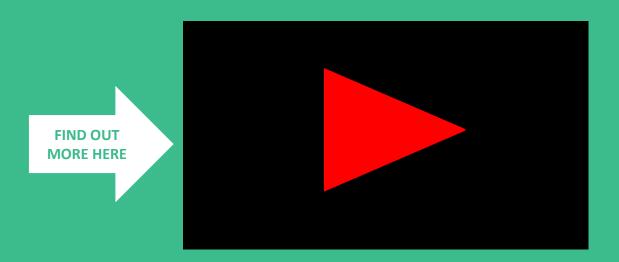


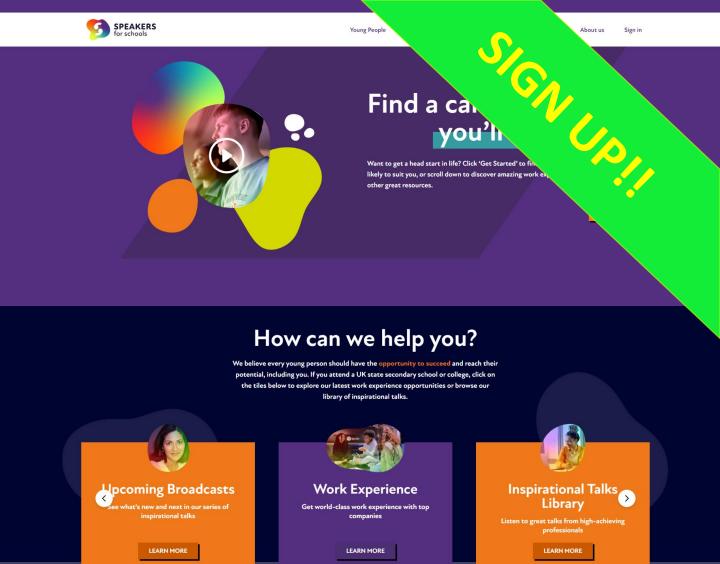
## unifrog

#### ALL our students have access to **unifrog**

Here they can access a wealth of information about apprenticeships, university and college courses, careers advice, work experience information, CV and personal statement tools and much more....

They can access at home 24/7 and it's a great starting point for their career exploration and planning.





#### Who benefits? You do!

We know it can be hard to get ahead or even imagine yourself in certain careers. By giving you the chance to explore what's out there and decide for yourself what suits you best, we can help you take control of your own future.

Learn about a wider range of career options

Get in front of big-name businesses wherever you live

Boost your skills and confidence

Get evidence for your CV or personal statement

Find careers that really suit you

Get free support to help you reach your potential

**REGISTER HERE** 

#### FREE COURSES OPEN LEARN

#### Why study a free course on OpenLearn?

Our courses been have proven 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 Open University course on materials. Others are written specifically for **OpenLearn**.



#### 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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For any queries regarding work experience please contact Mrs Newton at <a href="mailto:b.newton@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk">b.newton@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk</a>

More information and WEX documents and form can be found on the <u>Careers Hub</u>



#### SMBP WORK INSIGHT & SKILLS PROGRAMMES

The award-winning Social Mobility Business Partnership is running multiple V. & Skills Programmes for students in Year 12/13 (England and Wales), Year 13/1 (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** 



#### BIRMINGHAM CAREERS HUB PROVIDES A WIDE RANGE OF INFORMATION ON CAREERS RESOURCES AND EVENTS —

CHECK OUT THE LINKS BELOW.

**WEEKLY BULLETIN** 

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

**APPRENTICESHIPS** 



Explore. Inspire. Reimagine.

#### **VIEW ALL OPPORTUNITIES**



School and College Leaver Jobs

Apply to our school and college leaver jobs



School and College Leaver Events

Search and book onto an event to meet us



#### **Green careers**

Be part of changing the world and tackling climate change by choosing a green career.

In a green job you might develop products, provide a service or change the way companies do things that are more friendly to the environment. As more businesses try to be more eco-friendly, every job has the potential to become green.

Discover the endless opportunities.

#### The impact you could make

- Make a significant and positive difference to tackling climate change.
- Pave the way for a better, more sustainable way of life helping people now and in the future.
- Play a key role in preserving our environment, wildlife and nature.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT GREEN JOBS HERE



## Friends of the Earth

## Green Jobs Green jobs might just be the solution our economy and the climate crisis needs,



#### **GREEN JOBS**

Green jobs are roles that contribute to preserving or restoring the environment and our planet. You could be working in a traditional sector such as manufacturing or construction, or in a new, emerging green industry such as renewable energy and energy efficiency.



#### WHAT DO WE MEAN BY GREEN JOBS

As the UK economy becomes greener, some industries need help adapting their products and processes to reduce their emissions. Others are working on green technology, for example electric vehicles and LED lighting. Some are discovering completely new green activities to tackle climate change.

All of this is creating exciting new job opportunities.
A green job is perfect if you enjoy being active, working behind the scenes and seek a varied but rewarding role.

## PROSPECTS\_

#### How to get an environmental job

While an environmental science degree is a common route into the sector it isn't the only path. Explore the routes you can take to an environmental career that best suits your skills.

## Do I need a related environmental degree?

Entry into some occupations, such as land-based engineering, is only possible with a specific degree. For other careers, including environmental management or conservation, you'll need to study a relevant environmental degree. Discover what you can do with an environmental science degree.

Science, agriculture, geography or business degrees are considered useful for many roles in this sector. For information on specific entry requirements and qualifications, see our environment and agriculture job profiles.



NGTU is the #1 website for school and college leavers. Search thousands of jobs, opportunities and apprenticeships in UK and find your perfect fit!

### READY TO START YOUR FUTURE CAREER? CREATE A PROFILE HERE



#### Find an apprentice.





Find an apprenticeship in Find an apprenticeship in England.
You can apply for apprenticeships in Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales.

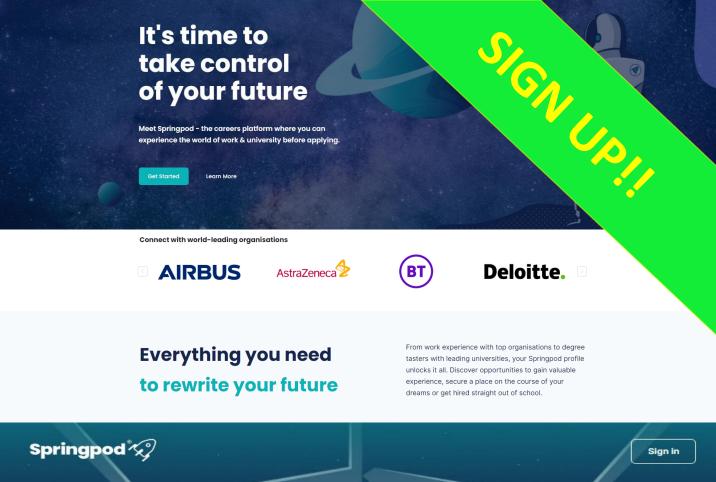
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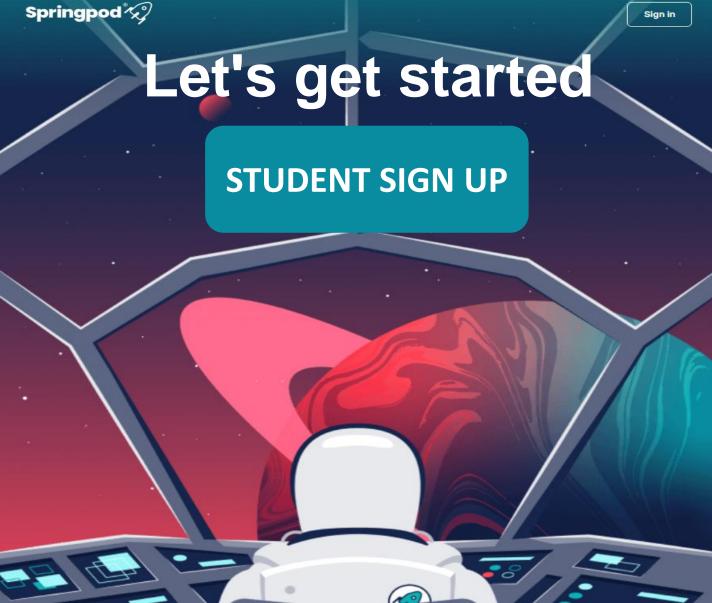
# Nation Careers Service

Helping you take the next step

FIND OUT MORE HERE

We provide careers information, advice and guidance. We can help you to make decisions on learning, training and work at all stages in your career.







## Not going to Uni? Explore your options!

#### Not going to uni?

So you're not 100% sure on whether you want to go to university! It's certainly not the only option open to school/A-Level leavers!

On of the main drivers in making such a critical decision is whether or not you know what type of work you want to do – and possibly for the rest of your life! If you want to be a doctor or a dentist, you're pretty limited to the university route! If you aren't 100% sure yet (and you won't be alone here) then it's a great idea to spend some time to explore your options.

There are several places you can get advice including the <u>National Careers Service</u>. One thing is for sure, you don't need a degree to be successful!

## Careers Nusic .com





#### **APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

## BRIGHT FUTURES ARE MADE AT BELL

Bell Group are the UK's largest commercial painting, decorating and building maintenance contractor, covering every square mile of Britain.

With over 1000 qualified, we recognise the value apprentices bring to our business and we are committed to employing 500 more over the next 5 years. We are recruiting now for a range of trade apprenticeship positions.

There is no better time to apply for an apprenticeship with us than now!



- Earn while you learn
- 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

#### 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

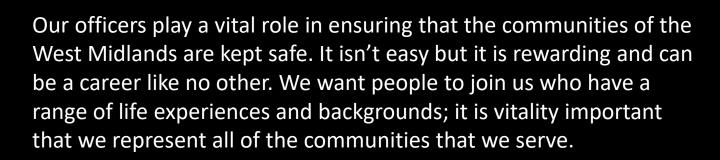
#### **FIND OUT MORE**

#### **Meet our apprentices**



#### **APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN**

#### **Police Officer Recruitment**



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



## SCNUPI 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



#### 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... 0

#### 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...





Supporting your child through their GCSEs

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



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... o



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



#### 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



#### 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



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 THE NEXT FEW PAGES.

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

## UNIVERSITY MASTER EXPLORE DAYS AND SU ACTIVITIES

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

For more information click on the images below.



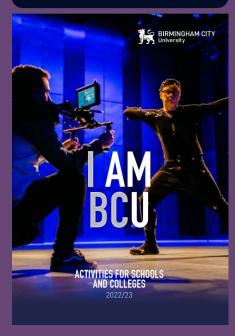


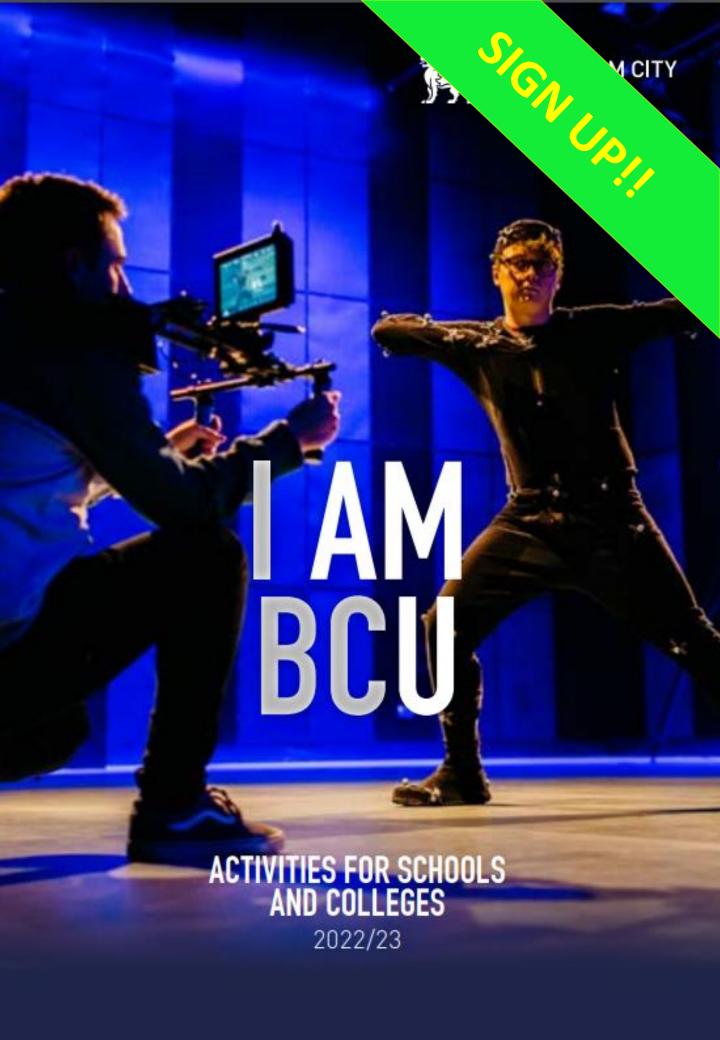




We have created a range of resources for you to help you explore the world of Higher Education.

#### BCU RESOURCE HUB FIND OUT MORE HERE







#### 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

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

UCAS

#### 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.

#### Plan your day

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

#### Make notes

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

## 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.

#### 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.

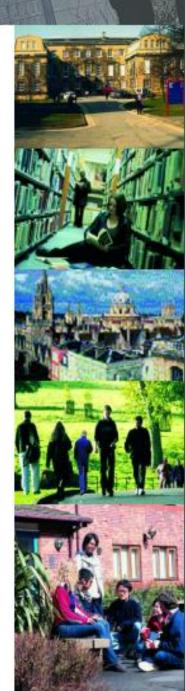
#### ONLINE BOOKING

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.







#### **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

## 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



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT MINDFULNESS



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.







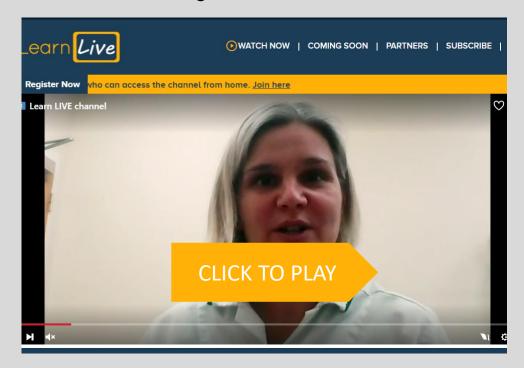






## Learn

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.



FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO JOIN