



OPPORTUNITIES BULLETIN

20.10.22



NOT SURE ON YOUR NEXT STEP AFTER SCHOOL OR COLLEGE?

There's plenty of alternatives to college or university ...
check out pages 2 – 14 for more information on
apprenticeships, jobs fairs, training opportunities and
much more..

BISHOP CHALLONER SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 9th November

6pm - 8.30pm



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NGTU

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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](#)**



#BHAMJOBSFAIR

BIRMINGHAM JOBS FAIR

Tuesday 25th October 2022
10am-3pm Matthew Boulton Campus, BMET College



EMPLOYERS ARE
LOOKING FOR YOU! | BE BOLD
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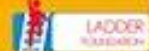
Book your place now! Scan the QR code or visit: bit.ly/BHAMJF10



Birmingham
City Council



West Midlands
Combined Authority



Are you looking for a new career opportunity?

This free event is open to anyone in the West Midlands. If you are looking for your next step, then come down and visit us.

- 1000s of jobs
- over 45 employers, with job offers on the day
- meet employers face-to-face
- careers support, including help with CV writing
- mental health support
- cost of living guidance
- informative sector sessions on the day

Which sectors are attending

There will be employers and providers from a wide range of sectors:

- security
- stewarding
- warehouse
- logistics
- construction
- health and social care
- retail
- hospitality
- cleaning
- media
- information technology (IT)
- digital and creative

**BOOK YOUR TICKETS
[HERE](#)**

Our applications
are now open

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School and College Leaver jobs

Get your career off to a head start

Explore. Inspire. Reimagine.

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Leaver Jobs

Apply to our school and college leaver jobs



School and College
Leaver Events

Search and book onto an event to meet us

Find an apprenticeship



Find an apprenticeship

Find an apprenticeship in England.

You can apply for apprenticeships in [Scotland](#), [Northern Ireland](#) and [Wales](#).

[SEARCH](#)

National 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.

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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**Everything you need
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From work experience with top organisations to degree tasters with leading universities, your Springpod profile unlocks it all. Discover opportunities to gain valuable experience, secure a place on the course of your dreams or get hired straight out of school.

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Let's get started

STUDENT SIGN UP



careermap

www.careermap.co.uk

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!

One 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 [National Careers Service](#). One thing is for sure, you don't need a degree to be successful!

FIND OUT MORE [HERE](#)

Careers in Music .com

★ Start Here

What are you most interested in?

SINGING	SONGWRITING
MUSIC PRODUCTION	THE MUSIC BUSINESS
PLAYING AN INSTRUMENT	OTHER



FIND OUT MORE HERE



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

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](#)

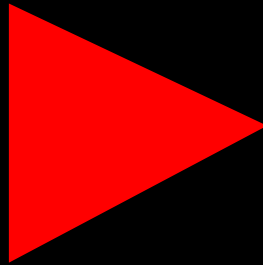
Meet our apprentices





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](#)

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... [➤](#)

FIND OUT MORE HERE

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



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](#)

Virtual Work Experience Programmes

October 2022

Framing Futures: See what's possible - Specsavers

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Field to Fork – Careers in Agriculture, Agri-Tech, Food Production & Distribution

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Mid and South Essex Health and Care Partnership Virtual Work Experience Programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Healthcare Careers with Stockport NHS Foundation Trust

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



North Cumbria – AHP

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Architecture, Ocean Science, Music, and More – STEM Careers in Acoustics

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Fujitsu WorkX

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Reachout for Healthcare Science

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust and Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Future Talent, Future Heroes

Start date: 3rd Oct
Deadline: 31st Dec

[More info](#)



Health and Care Careers in Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent Social Care Virtual Work Experience

Start date: 26th Sep
Deadline: 21st Sep

[More info](#)



Coventry Building Society

Start date: 10th Oct, 3rd Jan, 17th Apr
Deadline: 16th Dec, 31st Mar, 25th Jul

[More info](#)



Kör: Careers at Volvo Trucks

Start date: 13th Feb
Deadline: 9th Feb

[More info](#)



Barclays Lifeskills

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



The Next Pret Product

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Virtual Work Experience Programmes

October 2022

Nursing & Midwifery

Start date: 24th Oct
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The World of The British Library

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Building for Your Future

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Salesforce Virtual Internship Experience Programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust VWEX Programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Hertfordshire and West Essex Health and Care Academy Insight in NHS Careers

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Insight into Investec's Bank and Wealth Business

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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LNER Tomorrows Talent

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Countryside - Destiny

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Newcastle General VWEX programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

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Newcastle Cardiology Insight Programme

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



STEPS Engineering Your Future

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Direct Line Group

Start date: 24th Oct
Deadline: 19th Oct

[More info](#)



Medicine HEE South East

Start date: 11th Aug
Deadline: 1st June 2023

[More info](#)



Nursing & Midwifery HEE South East

Start date: 11th Aug
Deadline: 1st June 2023

[More info](#)



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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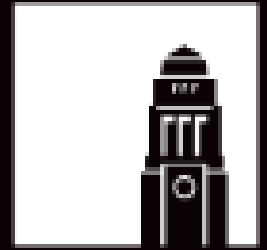
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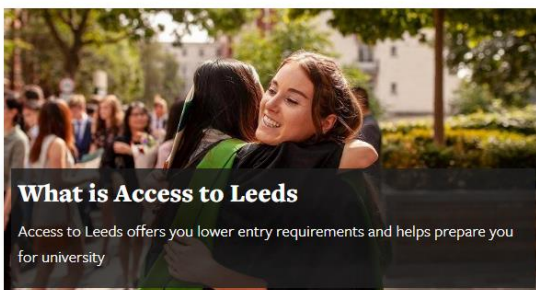
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Access to Leeds

Access to Leeds is our undergraduate widening access programme. It could offer you the chance to study an undergraduate degree with lower entry requirements than listed on our course pages.

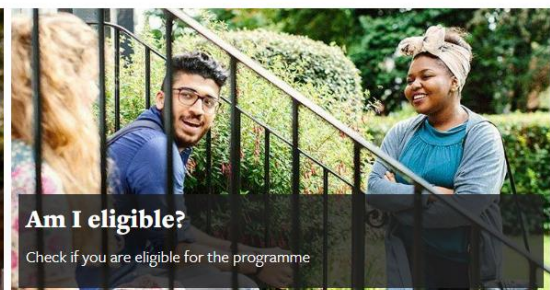
If you participate in the scheme you [will](#) take part in a study module and you will benefit from support and events to help prepare you for university.

Explore Access to Leeds information



What is Access to Leeds

Access to Leeds offers you lower entry requirements and helps prepare you for university



Am I eligible?

Check if you are eligible for the programme

How to apply?

Find out when and how to apply, and how the process works

Access to Leeds module

Our study modules are designed to fit around your Year 13 studies and will help prepare you for university

FREE COURSES WITH OPEN LEARN

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 consists of the word "OpenLearn" in a white, sans-serif font, centered on a dark blue rectangular background.A light blue, rounded rectangular button with a slight 3D effect and a shadow. The text "REGISTER NOW" is written in red, uppercase, sans-serif font, centered on the button.

REGISTER
NOW

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.



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

HADO Esports | Free Augmented Reality Battle Arena (Family Friendly)

📅 26th October 2022 – 27th September 2022 ⌚ 10:00AM



Put the power of energy balls and shields in your hands on a real-life court with HADO, the world's first augmented reality sport.

About this event

Go head to head with your friends and family in a fun and unique arena game which blends augmented reality and a real-life court.

Two HADO arenas will be installed at Millennium Point and open over the half-term holidays from 10 am – 3 pm on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th of October. Games last 80 seconds, up to six players and are completely free to play. Suitable for ages 5 + This event is free to attend. We recommend booking in advance to secure your spot.

This event is delivered by [HADO UK](#) in partnership with Millennium Point.

[Get Tickets](#)

BIRMINGHAM REPERTORY THEATRE'S YOUTH THEATRE IS COMING TO SANDWELL COLLEGE

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Rep

Sandwell College and **Birmingham REPERTORY THEATRE** are launching a new Satellite Young REP group for 14-18 year olds!

STARTING THURSDAY 3 NOVEMBER

The Young REP is Birmingham Repertory Theatre's youth theatre company, with over 250 young people based at The REP and 'Satellite' groups across Birmingham and the West Midlands.

Learn new skills and work with a professional theatre-maker. To join please register using the QR code below.



REGISTER HERE or email learning@birmingham-rep.co.uk with your name and age



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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 THE NEXT FEW PAGES.

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

UNIVERSITY MASTERCLASSES, EXPLORE DAYS AND SUBJECT ACTIVITIES

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

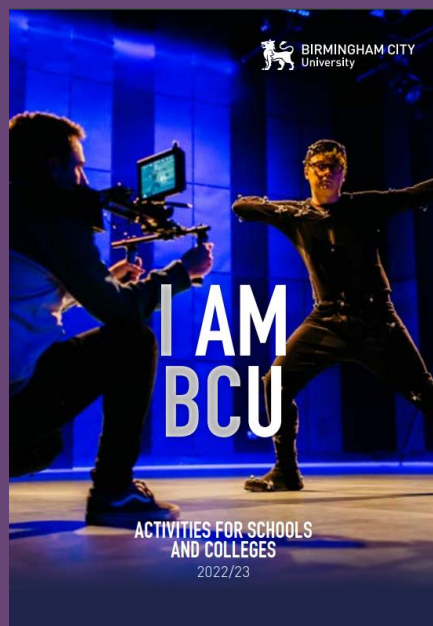
For more information click on the images below.



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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ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOLS
AND COLLEGES

2022/23



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.](#)



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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.



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 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.

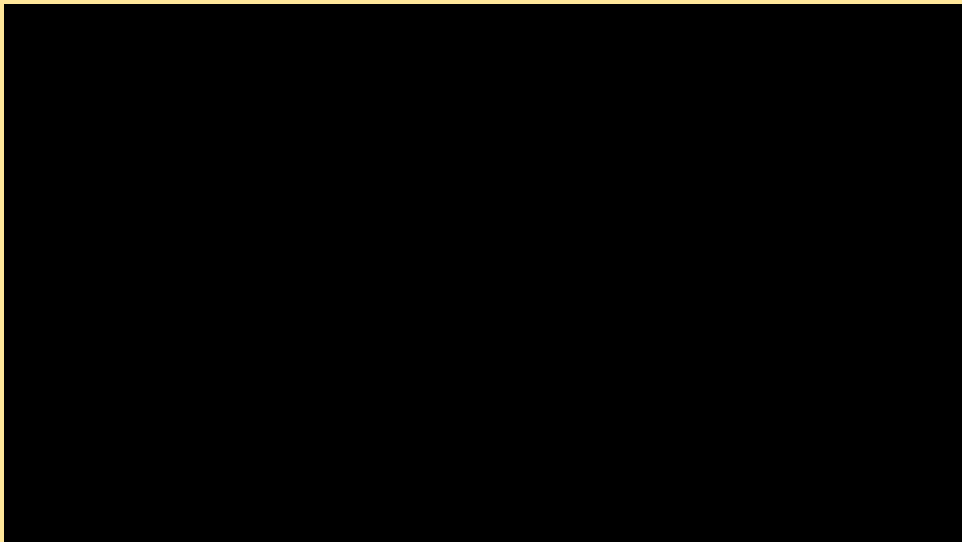
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SMBP WORK INSIGHT & SKILLS PROGRAMMES

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

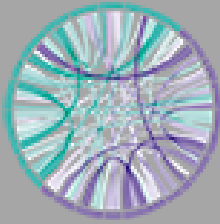
~~Saturday 1st October~~

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](#)



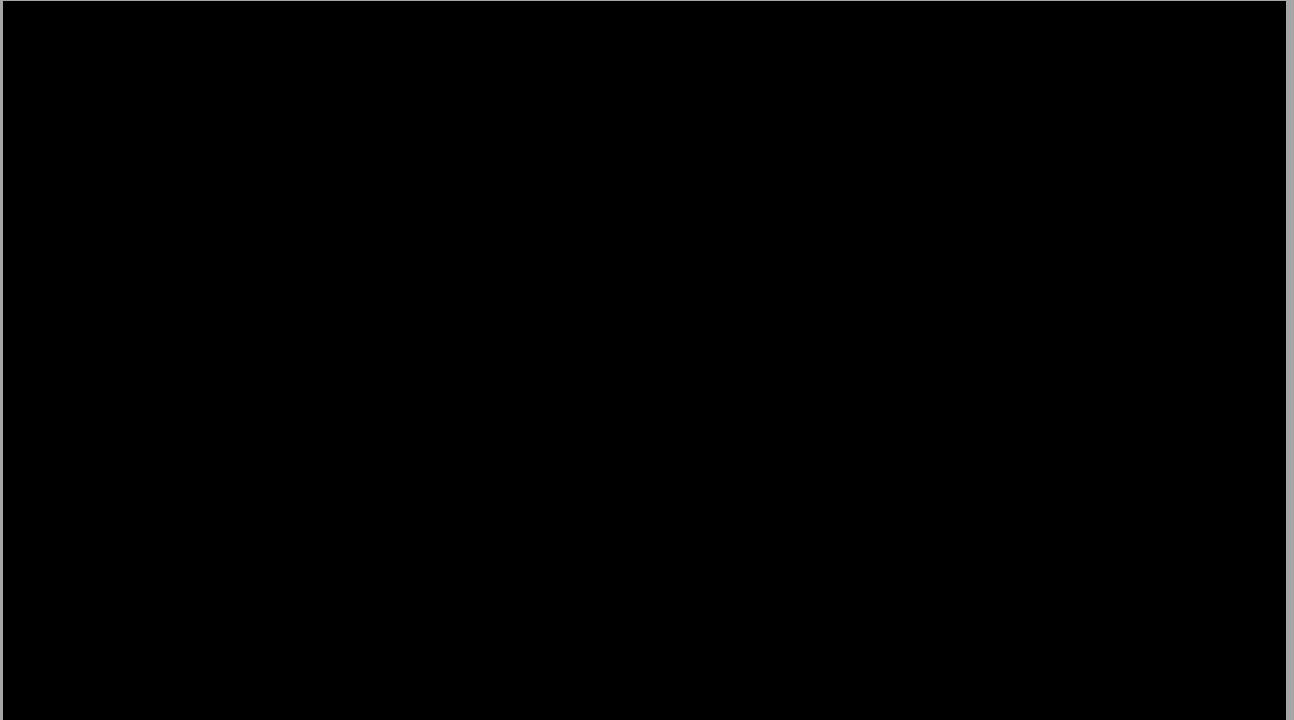
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Schools
Council



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

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

[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!

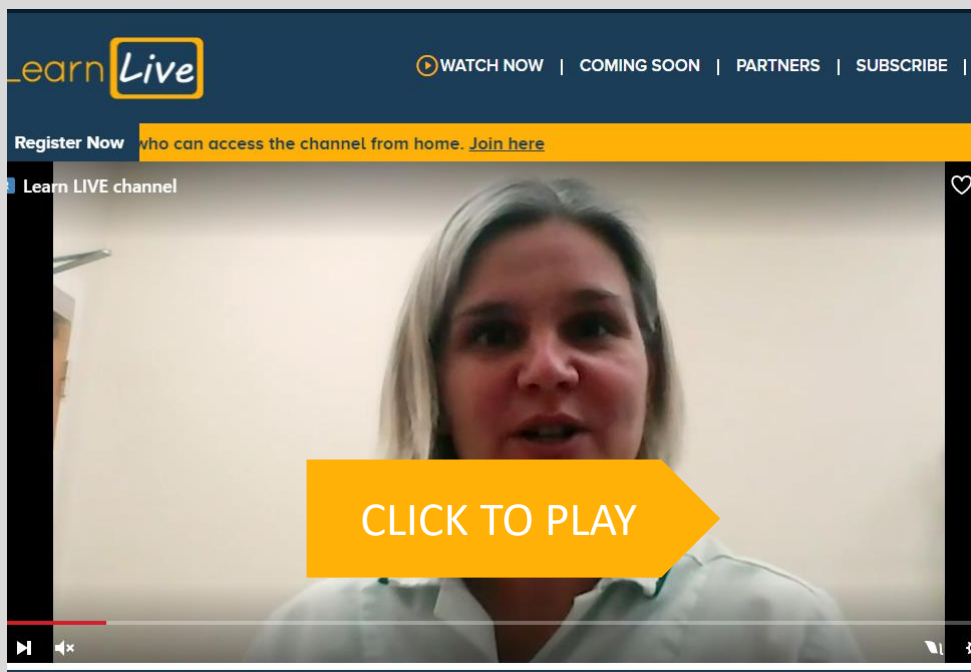
NCVO doesn't hold a list of roles, there are simply too many. But you can:

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