



Your weekly guide to careers information, advice and news from Parklands High School

Welcome back to Career News - I hope you all had a great half term break.

The next big event in the careers calendar is the Careers Fair on Friday 13th March. All of Year 9, 10 and 11 will take part in this - and we have some amazing employers, colleges, universities and training providers lined up to support pupils with their future career plans.



Inside this issue:

- Lots of apprenticeship vacancies and offers: Leyland Trucks, BAE Systems, BMW, Schneider Electric, Tesco, Dunelm, EDF and many more. There's also a great little booklet available from GT Scholars, that explains the whole process of applying for and securing an apprenticeship.
- Specsavers are launching a great new virtual work experience scheme which gives you a certificate of completion to show to future employers or mention on CVs and application forms.
- There are a few more open events at local colleges - ideal for Year 10 pupils wanting to get a head start on choosing a college, or for Year 11s who may not be quite sure about their choice or want a back up option.
- GT Scholars have a great webinar for parents wanting to support their children with GCSE exams.
- Pathway CTM are offering a webinar explaining apprenticeships in more detail - these have changed considerably over the years, so it would be worthwhile joining this webinar.
- Runshaw College interviews will be held in school on 19th and 20th March. If anyone has not yet applied to at least one (or preferably two) colleges - then they need to do so as soon as possible. Some colleges have already passed their deadlines for applications, so late applicants go on a waiting list with no guarantee of a place.
- There will be another work experience assembly in the next few weeks. A number of completed booklets have been returned, but there are many more to come in. The WEX week is 13th - 17th July 2026.

I will have spaces on the NHS programme, the MPCT programme and another one to be confirmed, so if anyone is really struggling to find a placement, please let me know as one of these may be suitable.

Have a great weekend!



2nd - 6th March 2026

YEAR 10 & 11

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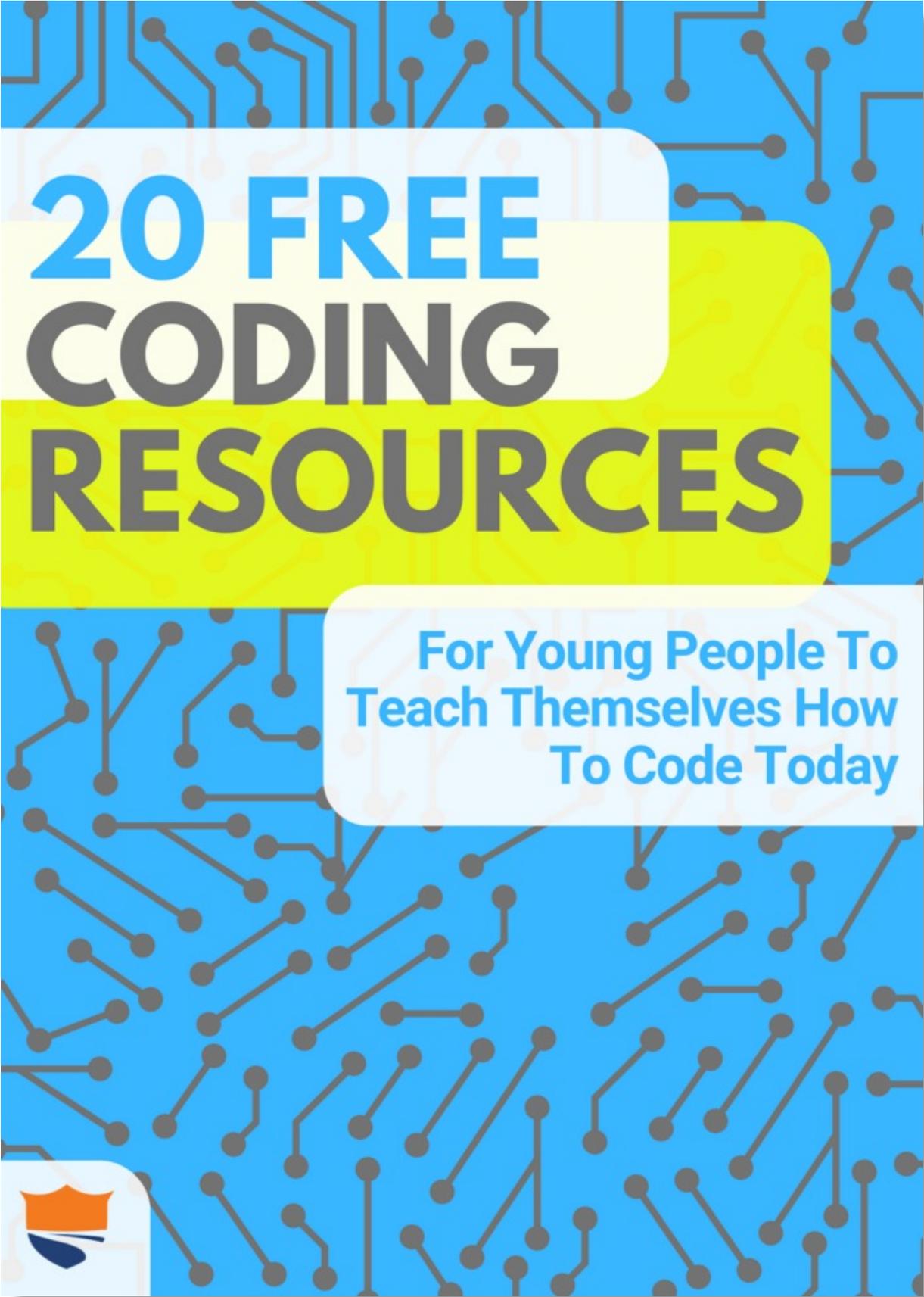


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THURSDAY 5 MARCH 4PM - 7PM

www.preston.ac.uk/fe-open-events

SEE FACILITIES MEET STUDENTS & STAFF EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS



20 FREE CODING RESOURCES

For Young People To
Teach Themselves How
To Code Today

Supporting your child doesn't always mean doing more - sometimes it's about having the right resources at the right time.

That's why we're sharing our free resource of the month - a practical guide designed to help families support learning in a calm, accessible way.

Download here: [20 Free Coding Resources for Young People](#)

It brings together trusted, handpicked resources young people can explore independently - whether they're curious, confident, or just starting out.

SUCCESS IS *PERSONAL*



A PARENTS & CARERS GUIDE TO

APPLYING FOR APPRENTICESHIPS WITH EDF



A Parents & Carers Guide to Applying for Apprenticeships with EDF

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

[DOWNLOAD THE GUIDE](#)

EDF's apprenticeship vacancies are OPEN for applications

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

[EXPLORE EDF APPRENTICESHIPS](#)



Virtual work experience

If you're interested in applying this year or working for EDF in the future, their virtual work experience programme is still open until **29th March 2026**, helping you to explore EDF careers and learn what employability skills will make you stand out.

Visit EDF's Meet the Employer profile and head to the resources & information section to access the work experience.

[EXPLORE VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE](#)



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The Ultimate Career Taster This March



In-Person at University
College London

**Test-drive your dream
career**

Meet and learn from
experienced professionals

Take part in interactive
career simulations

Receive expert career
coaching

Gain a certificate to boost
university applications

**VIEW
PROGRAMMES**



Choose from 15 different careers

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Level 4 - Facilities & Maintenance x 1

Level 4 - Fabrication and Welding x 1

Level 5 - HR x 1

Level 6 - Design Engineer x 2

Level 6 - IT Software Engineer x 1

Level 6 - Supply Chain x 1

Visit leylandtrucks.co.uk/apprenticeships



Apprenticeships at Leyland Trucks

It's that time of year again! We're thrilled to announce that in 2026, we'll be bringing on board 21 apprentices across a variety of functions, including Operations, HR, Design, IT, and Supply Chain.

We have 10 Level 3 apprenticeships available for Assembly Operators, along with six Level 4 apprenticeships in Automotive Engineering (4 positions), Facilities & Maintenance (1 position) and Fabrication and Welding (1 Position). For these roles, a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, Maths, and Science, is required.

We have one HR Apprenticeship available at Level 5, and for our Degree Apprenticeships: we have 2 in Design Engineering, 1 in Supply Chain, 1 in IT Software Engineering. To apply for these roles, you'll need a Level 3 qualification in a relevant subject.

We would encourage you to view the resources available, including our Application and Interview Top Tips.

Our Level 3 and Level 4 Apprenticeship are available to school leavers.

[Level 3 Apprenticeships](#)

[Level 4 Apprenticeships](#)

Each week, our social media accounts will shine a spotlight on the various apprenticeships we are recruiting for, with factsheets, videos and helpful top tips available.

If you know anyone who may be interested in one of these apprenticeships, please direct them to the [Leyland Trucks website](#) for further information and an online application form.

The closing date for all applications is Sunday 1st March 2026.

Parents' Evening: The Newsletter That Helps You Support Your Child's Future



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options? Wondering what
comes next?

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guidance to help your child
make confident decisions
about their future.

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 **Sign Up Today!**

Get practical, no-nonsense advice straight to
your inbox – **plus your free guide:**

"10 Tips to Help Your Child Find Their Career Path"



THE GT SCHOLARS GUIDE TO APPRENTICESHIPS



This guide breaks down what apprenticeships involve, how they work, who they're suited for, and how they can support a young person's long-term career development.

If your child is exploring options beyond traditional academic routes - or simply wants to understand what's available - this is a helpful place to start.

National Apprenticeships Week is a great time to have open conversations about future pathways - and the right information makes those conversations much easier.

You can access the Guide to Apprenticeships here:

<https://gtscholars.org/guide-to-apprenticeships>

RISE TO SUCCESS: CAREER JOURNEYS



IF YOU LIKE:

- Food technology
- Science
- Baking at home

YOUR CAREER JOURNEY COULD TAKE YOU TO ...



BAKERY TEAM MEMBER

Bake food on an industrial scale



PRODUCT DEVELOPER

Create new food products and improve old ones



QUALITY TECHNICIAN

Responsible for food quality



IF YOU LIKE:

- Maths
- Business
- Games

YOUR CAREER JOURNEY COULD TAKE YOU TO ...



DATA ANALYST

Discover data trends to improve company performance



FINANCE TEAM MEMBER

Keep accurate records to help the company make money



BUYER

Find the best deals for the supplies needed to make products



IF YOU LIKE:

- Art
- Design & technology
- Social media

YOUR CAREER JOURNEY COULD TAKE YOU TO ...



PACKAGING DESIGNER

Design food packaging that's practical and attractive



MARKETING MANAGER

Tell people about new products via social media, TV and print



CONSUMER RESEARCHER

Discover what customers like and don't like



IF YOU LIKE:

- Geography
- Science
- Being active

YOUR CAREER JOURNEY COULD TAKE YOU TO ...



ENGINEER

Keep the factory machinery running



DRIVER

Help deliver the products to stores across the country



WAREHOUSE TEAM MEMBER

Co-ordinate everything in the warehouse



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SAT 28TH MAR
9:30AM - 1:15PM



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Choosing the Next Step (Not the Whole Career)

live online career panel, sharing real stories and career journeys to help you **Own Your Future**

Thursday 5th March @ 18:00



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Aillyha Mohammed
Government Science and
Engineering Fast Streamer
Department of Transport



Archie Flynn
Technology Consultant
Degree Apprentice
HSBC



Medha Khurana
Business Intelligence
Specialist
Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL)



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APPRENTICESHIP VACANCIES

First Call Care Ltd
Business Admin Apprentice
Blackburn
£283.12 per week
Business Admin

Holdex Group Ltd
Recaller Apprentice
Bolton
£302.00 per week
Customer Service

Inox Fabrications Ltd
Apprentice Design Engineer
Blackburn
£294.45 per week
Engineering

Marvtech Limited
Electrical Fitting Apprentice
Hapton
£294.45 per week
Engineering

Alan Gordon Engineering Ltd
Apprentice Machinist
Chorley
£286.90 per week
Engineering

NFM Europe
CNC Lathe Operator/
Machinist Apprentice
Bamber Bridge
£302.00 per week
Engineering

Leyland Trucks Ltd
Facilities & Maintenance
Engineering Apprentice
Leyland
£344.00 per week
Engineering

Pets Choice Ltd
Apprentice Maintenance
Engineer
Blackburn
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Engineering

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FREE WORKSHOP SERIES



Ever wondered what it takes to break into some of the world's most competitive careers?

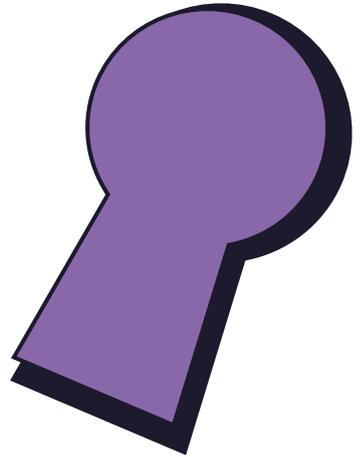
Join us for our new Careers Unlocked series, featuring seven online workshop-style sessions led by experienced industry professionals.

Tuesday How to Become a Doctor
10th March How to Become a Lawyer

Wednesday How to Become an Engineer
11th March How to Become an Entrepreneur

Thursday How to Become a Psychologist
12th March How to Become an Investment Banker

Tuesday **Parent Webinar:**
17th March A Parent's Guide to Life After School



**REGISTER
NOW**



You can also earn a certificate of attendance to use for future applications!



How to Become a Doctor

10th March, 6PM (UK time)

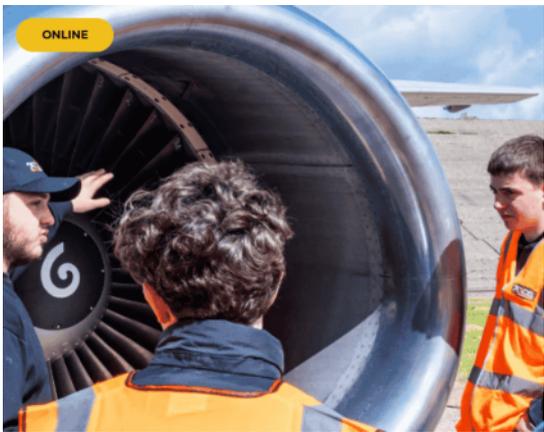
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How to Become a Psychologist

12th March, 6PM (UK time)

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How to Become an Investment Banker

12th March, 6PM (UK time)

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ONLINE - PARENT WORKSHOP



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Earn a Certificate!

Students who attend and participate will receive a certificate of completion to demonstrate their skills and commitment to future opportunities.

Remember: If you're unable to join live, we encourage you to still register to receive the follow-up recording after the session.

A Parent's Guide to Life After School

17th March, 6PM (UK time)

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Are you looking for practical ways to help your child succeed in today's increasingly competitive job market?

While headlines can be alarming, the challenges graduates face today in securing their dream careers are real. So, how can you help your child make informed career decisions?

The final session in our Careers Unlocked webinar series is designed for parents. Unlike our previous sessions, which focused on students exploring competitive careers, this interactive webinar tackles the graduate job market head-on, giving you the insight and guidance needed to help your child prepare for life after school.

Join us to learn:

- The realities of today's graduate job market trends and in-demand careers**
- Options after school: University applications, apprenticeships and beyond**
- How students can gain meaningful work experience outside of school**
- Practical skills students can start building now**

If you're unable to join live, you can register to receive the follow-up recording after the session.



Young Professionals International Women's Day Event - Manchester

International Women's Day event. This is an evening event taking place on Tuesday, 10th March, 5pm - 8pm, with some of the world's biggest employers.

The event is all about female empowerment in the workplace and inspiring students to make it big in the world of work.

In celebration of International Women's Day, Young Professionals are putting together a fantastic evening conference in the heart of Manchester.

The evening will involve several workshops, panel sessions and lots of networking with some of the world's leading employers. It's an evening celebrating the world of work and the incredible women making a difference in the companies they work for and the industry as a whole.

Employers Attending:

KPMG, BDO, RSM, Grant Thornton, CIMA, The Army, The RAF and many more!

Key Event Details:

Date and Time: Tuesday 10th March - 5pm - 8pm

Location: Britannia Hotel - Manchester

What to expect:

Workshops, networking and inspirational female leaders/speakers

This event is set to be an inspiring evening that allows you to see what a career in the business world could look like for you. There will, of course, be lots of networking opportunities as well as the chance for you to find out what's on offer to you to apply for. This will include summer work experiences, apprenticeships and graduate programmes.

Application Link:

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





We would like to share with you some information about our final open day of the academic year that may be of interest to your high achieving mathematical students.

Our application form is still open (and can be accessed via our website) with open day providing late applicants with the opportunity to discover more about LUSoM from staff and current students alike. The Admissions team is also on hand to support all applicants with any queries they may have.

We also welcome year 10 students who may be at the start of their journey and are beginning to explore their sixth form options. For further information and the booking link, please see below.

10:00 - 12:30 on Saturday 14th March.

Students have the opportunity to tour our purpose-built building, attend a talk from the Head of School, Peter Tiltman and speak with staff and current students to learn more about life at LUSoM.

Here's the link to book:

<https://bit.ly/4hb66tl>

If you have any queries about the above, please email outreach@lusom.ac.uk.



**LANCASTER UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS**

Virtual Event – FREE for Parents & Carers

A Parent's Guide to Apprenticeships

Why This Matters Now

Your child is working hard toward exams, but choosing the right next step matters just as much as the grades they achieve. Apprenticeships offer real jobs, training, and careers without university fees and applications for September 2026 are already open.



This session will help you understand:



What apprenticeships really are



How they compare to university and other pathways



How to support your child to make strong choices



What employers are looking for in applications

Hear Directly from Employers

Featuring a live panel, including representatives from the BBC, sharing insights into career routes, workplace expectations, and apprenticeship opportunities.

Event Details

When: Tue 3rd Mar | 6-7:30pm

Where: Online

Register 

UNSURE ABOUT YOUR FUTURE CAREER?

Too many careers to choose from? Feeling overwhelmed? Struggling to match your skills and interests with a desirable career?

These are all natural thoughts and signal an excellent starting point to discovering your dream career.

WHAT TO DO NEXT

- ✓ **Don't panic:** Lots of students are in your position, so there's no need to stress!
- ✓ **Reflect:** Ask yourself simple questions like what are my strengths? What inspires me? What subjects do I enjoy?
- ✓ **Understand:** Research, network and explore what different careers involve, including the skills, experience and qualifications required.
- ✓ **Explore:** Seek hands-on experience and learn first-hand whether you are suited to a career or industry.

THE CAREER QUIZ

If you're unsure about your future, the best place to start is our Career Quiz, which helps you discover an industry that aligns with your skills, interests and aspirations.

Over 30,000 students have already completed the career quiz and received personalised career advice. Take the quiz today!

WEEKEND PROGRAMMES

Are you aged 15-18 and curious about life after school?

Join us in March for an immersive one-day career taster in London, offering hands-on workshops and real-world career simulations alongside industry professionals.

Test-drive your dream career in 2026!

TAKE
THE
QUIZ

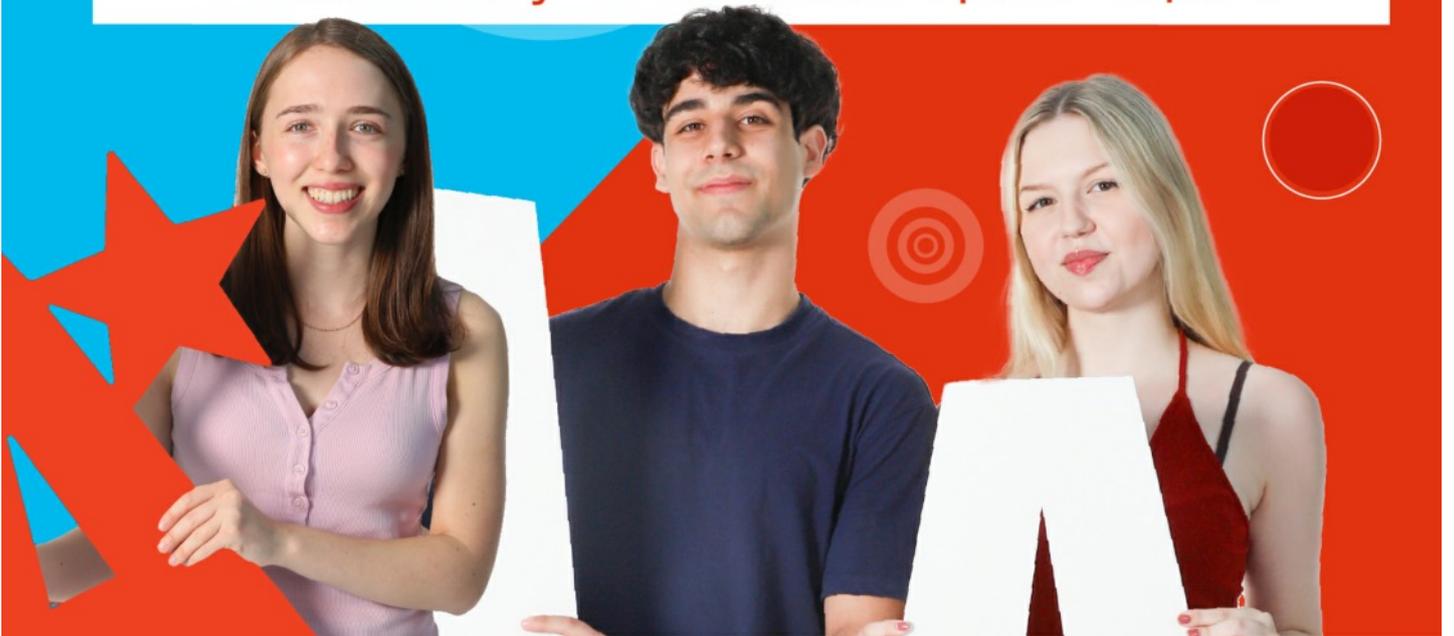


RUNSHAW COLLEGE

You are invited to our

Open Event

Wednesday **4 March** 4pm - 8pm



runshaw.ac.uk/openevent

**Runshaw interviews in school
19th and 20th March 2026
in the Conference Room**

Times to be posted 2/3/26

Specsavers Work Experience is now live!

Help your students build skills, explore careers, and discover Specsavers.



There are 6 modules to choose from:



Optometry

Discover vision issues, use tech to diagnose and communicate with care.



Audiology

Explore hearing, how ears work, and how to help patients.



Finance

See how Specsavers' finance teams work together to keep things running.



Tech

See how tech powers Specsavers – from clinics to stores to supply chains.



Marketing

See how Specsavers turns ideas into campaigns and try your own creativity.



Retail Support

See how Retail Support helps Specsavers grow through property, fit-out, and business development.

Work Experience

Specsavers

Work Experience Programme



20 min - 1.5 hours
module completion time



Certificate
on completion



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[CLICK HERE TO FIND OUT MORE AND SIGN UP](#)



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To be eligible to apply you must:

- achieve at least 5 grade 7s and above in your GCSEs in June 2026, with grade 8 or above in the subjects you wish to study at A level
- have excellent attendance at your current school
- wish to contribute fully to Sixth Form life by joining our clubs and societies.

Application forms can be requested by emailing spalmer@qegsblackburn.com

Application forms must be returned to QEGS admissions by 30th April 2026. All applications will be acknowledged.

You will then need to enrol at QEGS Sixth Form on 20th or 21st August 2026. Successful applicants will be informed by 31st October 2026. If there are more applicants than scholarships then the decision made by Old Co will be final.

Apply now: [QEGSblackburn.com/sixth](https://qegsblackburn.com/sixth)

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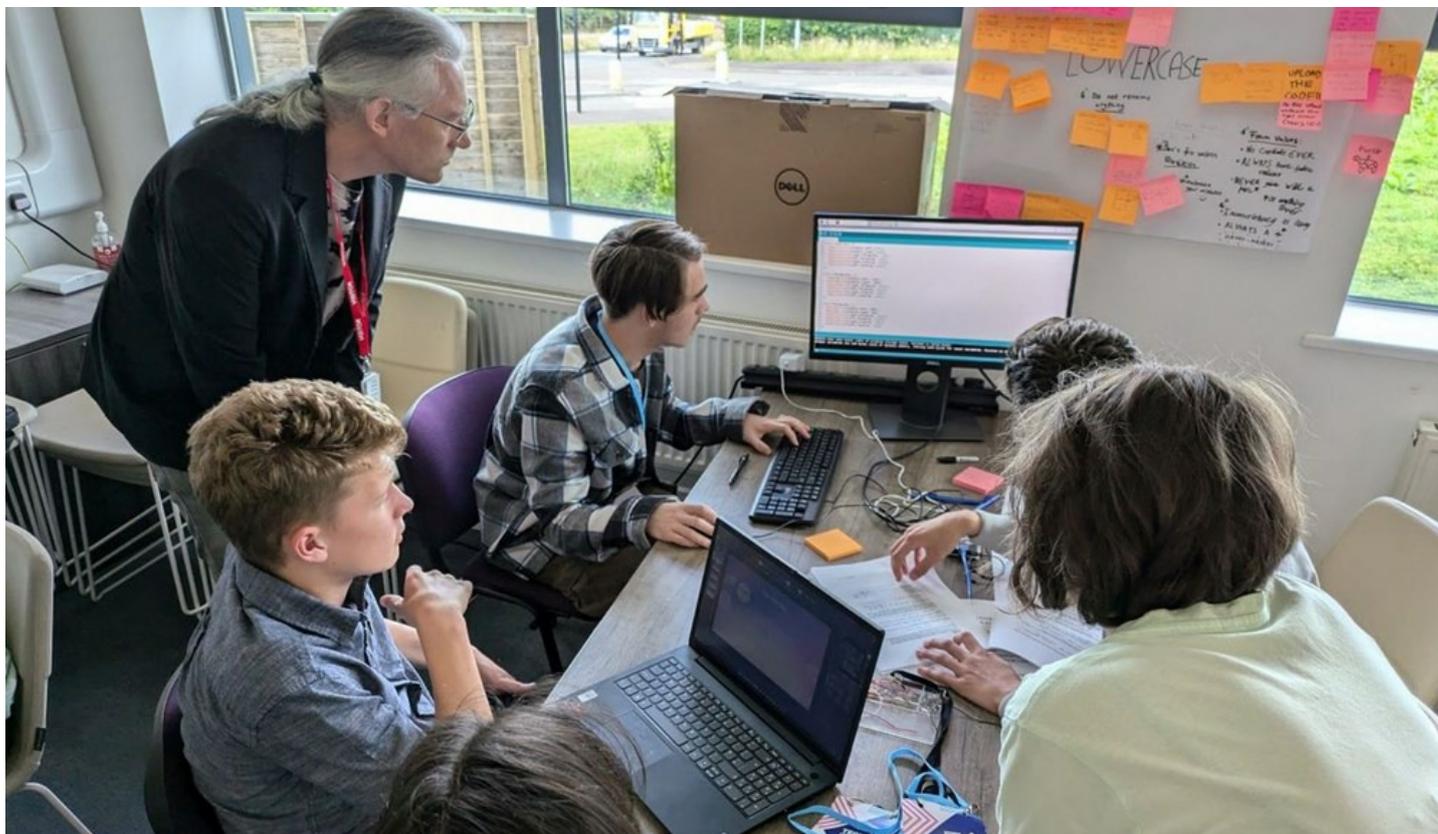
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Rated Good
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Project (Ages 14-18)

Mission to Mars Work Experience

Start your students' journey to Mars from anywhere! A flexible, online work experience programme designed to introduce young people to real-world technology careers, with an optional in-person event in July.



Run by Tech Cornwall, Mission to Mars is an exciting, future-focused programme that has inspired students for over a decade.

It combines **flexible online learning** with an **optional in-person event**, giving young people the chance to explore real-world technology careers.

Step 1: Remote component (Open now - July 2026)

Students start with a 20-hour online work experience they can complete at their own pace.

What's included:

Structured online pathway: Around 20 hours of guided activities students can complete from school or home.

Real tech skills: Learn to build dependable software, use agile methods, and create a personal portfolio for CVs and interviews.

Hands-on challenges: Work with programmable circuits, solve problems, and develop confidence through reflective tasks.

Industry mentoring: Connect with tech professionals who share insights and guidance.

Students must complete the remote component by February 2026 to qualify for the in-person event.

Step 2: Optional in-person event (13-17 July 2026)

Students who finish the remote experience can apply for a two-day immersive mission in Cornwall.

They'll put their skills into practice by building and testing the software and technology needed to reach Mars - a real-world simulation that brings learning to life.

[CLICK HERE TO FIND OUT MORE](#)

INVESTIN

'Get your foot in the door' is a phrase you're likely to hear a lot as a student, so it's important to know what it means and how you can take the first steps in your career.

Gaining early industry exposure, developing in-demand skills and connecting with experienced professionals are key to opening the door to your dream career.

You can do all of this during an [InvestIN Weekend Programme](#) in London this March:

Led by industry professionals: Connect with experts and learn from their real-world experience.

Test-drive your future: Participate in immersive career simulations to learn if a specific career is the right fit for you.

Tailored career coaching: Gain advice and industry guidance from professionals and start building practical skills.

[Download this free resource](#) to help you prepare for the first steps in your future career.



As a parent, you will understand how important it is for your child to get their foot in the door and take every opportunity to prepare for their future career.

At InvestIN, we understand the importance of gaining early industry exposure, developing in-demand skills and connecting with experienced professionals. That's why we offer Weekend Programmes in London for students aged 15-18.

What does an [InvestIN Weekend Programme](#) involve?

Led by industry professionals: Students can connect with experts and learn from their real-world experience.

Test-drive your future: Students can participate in immersive career simulations to learn if a specific career is the right fit for them.

Tailored career coaching: Experienced professionals offer advice and guidance to help students build practical skills.

INVESTIN presents:

Getting Your Foot in the Door

A Quick Guide to Preparing for Your Future Career

Your career might feel a long way off, but the steps you take at school will bring you closer to your dream job than you realise.

Early career preparation is key to getting your foot in the door and kickstarting your future.

Here are the steps you can take towards your future career

Build in-demand skills

Look for opportunities inside and outside school where you can practise key skills like communication, critical thinking and digital fluency.



Understand what drives you

Take time to reflect on what you enjoy, what motivates you and the type of environment you work best in.

Explore careers in the real world

Turn curiosity into clarity by speaking to industry professionals, attending career events and participating in hands-on career programmes.

Gain early industry exposure

Seek work experience, shadow professionals and learn how workplaces really operate by talking to friends and family about their jobs.

Free resources to prepare you for your future

Future of Work
Webinar Series

Getting Your Foot in the Door

*How to Prepare for Career Success
InvestIN Education*

The InvestIN
Career Quiz

Ready to take the next step?

Discover InvestIN Weekend Programmes

Gain hands-on industry experience in your dream career in London this March.

Choose from 15 competitive careers and register today!



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BMW Group are offering paid, hands-on opportunities with the world's leading premium automotive manufacturer.

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Here's what they could gain:

-  Build future-ready skills
-  Learn from industry experts
-  Work on real projects



No experience?

NO PROBLEM!

BMW Group apprenticeships give learners the right start and the tools to grow.

Apprentices will benefit from:



**Paid
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**Recognised
qualifications**



**Career
progression**

All while being supported in a collaborative, forward-thinking environment where innovation, sustainability and personal development matter.



A step towards their future career.

This is your students' chance to begin a rewarding career with a global brand shaping the future. Share the opportunity with them today!

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National Careers Week 2026:

British Army Careers: Seven Career Streams, Endless Opportunities

Online Event: Thursday 3rd March 2026, 6:30pm-7:30pm

In celebration of National Careers Week and International Women's Day, join us for an insightful webinar exploring the wide range of career opportunities available in the British Army.

Did you know you could start your career in STEM, Healthcare, Law, or Intelligence? The British Army is not just about combat roles.

We'll also shine a spotlight on women in the Army, challenging outdated perceptions and highlighting the diverse roles women thrive in today from technical and leadership positions to frontline and specialist careers.

[Sign-up now!](#)

- Designed for **students, parents, teachers, and careers advisers**, this webinar will:
- Break down the **seven Army career streams** in a clear, accessible way
- Show how **school subjects link directly to Army careers**
- Explore training, apprenticeships, and progression routes
- Address common myths and misconceptions
- Help adults feel confident supporting young people with informed career conversations

Whether you're supporting a young person exploring their next steps or simply want to broaden your understanding of modern Army careers, this session offers practical insight, reassurance, and inspiration.

[Sign-up now!](#)



DON'T MISS OUT!

Unlocking Your Future:

The Power of Apprenticeships

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Student Feedback

"It was great! I loved hearing about different opportunities other than university. I would definitely consider applying for an apprenticeship now. I loved hearing advice from those who are apprentices already!"

"Interesting and told me lots of different things about the tech business, it also taught me more about apprenticeships and the work around it."

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In this 20-minute activity, students will gain a deeper understanding of apprenticeships and the opportunities that they can provide.

The resource provides:

- An apprenticeship mock application
- Role Model, Amber, who discusses her journey and experience as an apprentice

A spotlight on the exciting possibilities apprenticeships offer.

Complete the activity via the button below

[Access Here](#)

Parent Webinars with GT Scholars



*Help Your Teen Ace Their Exams:
The Proven Tools to Reduce Stress and
Improve Results*



FREE Parent Webinar January 2026

Date: Tue 3rd March 2026

Time: 7:30 - 8:45pm (UK time)

Sign up to join us LIVE or get
access to the replay:

gtscholars.org/parent-webinar





THE GT SCHOLARS PROGRAMME

We'd like to invite you to join us at our upcoming webinar for parents!

What's the topic? Help Your Teen Ace Their Exams

When? Tuesday, 3rd March 2026

What Time? 7:30pm - 8:45pm (London)

Where do I sign up? [Register online by following link](#)

Exams have a way of turning capable, curious teens into anxious, overwhelmed learners - and many parents are left wondering how to help without adding more pressure.

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- Discover proven strategies to overcome procrastination and last-minute cramming
- Learn how to support effective goal-setting, planning and time management
- Feel confident supporting your teen through exams, setbacks and academic pressure

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How could we make books more sustainably?



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Top essential skills:



careers connection

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Top essential skills:



What question will you ask?



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5-7PM

15TH OCTOBER

18TH NOVEMBER

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2026 Events

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- **Manchester - Old Trafford Stadium - 27th February** - [see details here](#) - email emma@ukuniversitysearch.co.uk for further details or to book places.
- **Lancaster University - 24th March** - [see details here](#) - email emma@ukuniversitysearch.co.uk for further details or to book places.
- **University of Derby - 17th April** - [see details here](#) - email dan@ukuniversitysearch.co.uk for further details or to book places.

For a full list of our spring & summer events please visit our [website](#).

28th April - 30th April 2026

Meet the **RUSSELL GROUP**

Afternoon Session: 12:00 - 13:30

Evening Session: 16:30 - 18:00

www.ukuniversitysearch.com/fair-signup/russell-group-webinars

Our **Meet the Russell Group Webinars** will be returning on **28th - 30th April**. These are incredibly informative for students considering applying for RG universities. The webinars will cover topics such as Student Life, Personal Statements & Applying to an RG University. You can **register for this spectacular event below**.

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open on October 1st 2025

Find out about Dunelm apprenticeships!

Starting your career with Dunelm opens a world of possibilities

Dunelm will be opening their apprenticeship vacancies on the 2nd February 2026 across a range of roles, including Supply Chain & Logistics, Commercial, Retail, and an exciting new Fitter Apprenticeship opportunity.

But be quick, the roles are very popular!

There are lots of ways you can find out more about these incredible opportunities, depending on what programmes you're interested in...



Learn about the apprenticeship roles on offer with Dunelm

Meet the Early Careers team at Dunelm to learn about their exciting apprenticeship opportunities, including Retail, Supply Chain & Logistics, Commercial, Fitter and more. In this recording you'll find out about Dunelm's early careers programmes and pick up some hints and tips for your apprenticeship application.

[**WATCH NOW**](#)

Learn about the new Fitter Apprenticeship ahead of its launch

Join us on 15th January to find out about Dunelm's new Fitter Apprenticeship - a unique role blending hands-on technical skills, customer interaction and the freedom of being out on the road. Apprentices work towards a Customer Service apprenticeship qualification, while gaining specialist training in fitting blinds in customers' homes.

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And if you can't wait ...



Check out Dunelm's virtual work experience programme

Dunelm has created their first-ever virtual work experience programme, created in partnership with Springpod.

This exciting opportunity is designed for students aged 13 and up, offering seven hours of immersive content across a range of modules that reflect the many areas of the business - from retail and customer service to product development, marketing, and more.

[**FIND OUT MORE**](#)

Virtual Work Experience with Dunelm: Careers, Skills, and Opportunities

In partnership with:



Step inside Dunelm, the UK's favourite homewares retailer, and discover what it's really like to work both in-store and behind the scenes. This Virtual Work Experience programme gives you a unique opportunity to explore a wide range of careers – from retail and supply chain to tech and head office roles – all while building valuable employability skills.

Through interactive activities and expert insights, you'll gain a deeper understanding of how a big business operates and what it takes to succeed in today's world of work. Whether you're interested in customer service, logistics, or digital innovation, this programme will help you find your happy place and take your first step towards a rewarding career.

-  This programme is open to anyone aged 13+
-  Certificate of completion
-  Over 7 hours worth of content
-  Complete at a pace that suits you

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Gaining Experience Beyond The Classroom

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Why?

Gaining work experience or doing extracurriculars is data-gathering for your future; you will learn what you like and dislike, what motivates you or doesn't. Plus, it's a great way to stand out in future university and job applications! University admissions tutors are looking for applicants who are dedicated to their subject and have taken the time to explore it beyond the classroom.

Work Experience

What counts as work experience?

Any professional environment where you are developing and applying skills is a form of meaningful work experience!



What?

- **Shadowing**
Observing someone in a working environment
- **Volunteering**
Such as at charity shops, care homes or tutoring
- **Insight days & workshops**
Online or in-person programmes for students
- **Part-time job**
Such as in a cafe/restaurant, shop assistant
- **Formal placements & internships**
Typically more widely available for 18+

Where?

- **Look local**
Research organisations in your local area and enquire about shadowing or volunteering opportunities
- **Use your network**
Ask friends, family, teachers for any relevant connections
- **Look out for formal schemes**
Research opportunities for school students on sites like [Prospects](#), LinkedIn or the [Student Ladder](#)

Extracurriculars

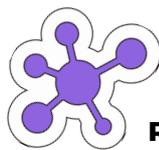


Consider what you already do outside of school - **what does it say about your interests or skills?**

Then, consider how you could develop further the skills required for your dream university course or career.

Socialising

Communication
Empathy



Sport

Leadership
Teamwork

Music or drama

Creativity
Commitment

Reading & writing

Analytical thinking
Attention to detail

What can I do in my free time to develop my skills?

Read or listen to podcasts related to your subject interests

Raise money for a charity or awareness about an issue important to you

Set up a club: STEM, debating, photography, newspaper, documentary...

Create your own portfolio of work, e.g. create a GitHub account to log your coding projects

Produce a journal or research project

Organise an event (marketing, sales & project management)

Manage a budget for a trip or holiday

Talk about your experiences in your applications...



Gaining experiences beyond your studies is only meaningful in your personal statement if you know how to relate them to your chosen course!

THINK: why has your extracurricular/work experience/project contributed to your passion or compatibility for your chosen subject? How did it ignite your spark for that field?

Looking to gain work experience? Check out InvestIN's programmes at www.investin.org



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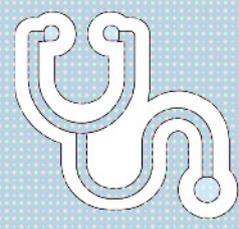
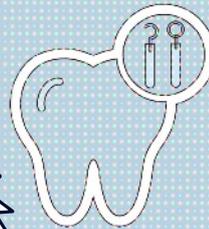
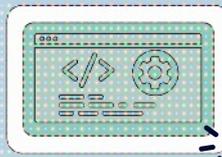
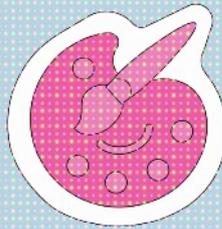
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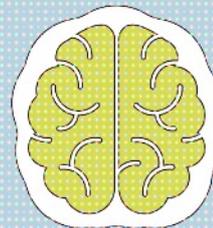
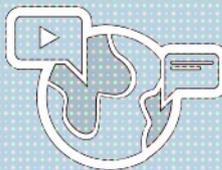
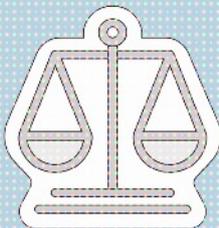
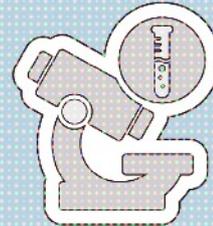
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Subject Guide Videos



These impartial videos have one key aim. To support students who are considering university to make informed future subject decisions. They feature guest speakers from a range of different universities, who are always experts in the subject being explored.

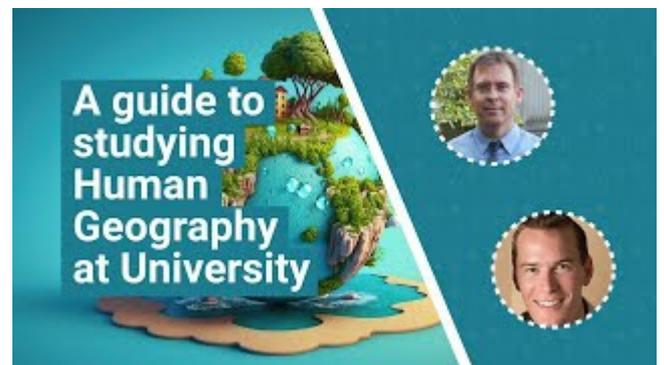
Including the UK's first video subject guide!

Different subjects, but the same four themes explored in every single one:

- Why students may wish to consider the subject
- What to expect if they study it
- An overview of the careers it may lead to
- Application tips if they go on to apply

From Accounting to Zoology - and 100's of subjects in between. You can browse any of the videos, search by keyword, or filter by subject.

[CLICK HERE](#)



MENTORVERSE

For students in the 10-11 year groups, we present the following avenues:

- Free NHS Virtual Work Experience
- Free Volunteering Placements with the 'You Okay Doc?'
- Free National Study Skills E-learning
- Free Virtual Medical/Dental Society Webinars
- Free Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion E-learning Course for Healthcare Professionals

Your students can access these extracurricular opportunities by signing up for a free student portal:

Medical: <https://medicmentor.org/the-medic-mentor-portal-2/>

Dental: <https://dental-mentor.org/the-medic-mentor-portal-2/>



Enrolling as a bronze pathway student, you can

- Access free work experience each month
- Get access to zoom links for all of our free conferences and meetings
- Access the Wider Reading and Virtual Medical Societies
- Participate in Fundraising
- Download all of your Medic Mentor certificates
- Access Study Skills E-learning
- Access how to advance to other Pathways



STRONGER STARTS PROGRAMME OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS!

Tesco's Stronger Starts apprenticeship programme is now open, offering two fantastic apprenticeship pathways for young people, the well-established Retail Apprenticeship and the brand-new Maintenance Apprenticeship.

Stronger Starts is a fantastic opportunity for young people to kickstart a career in retail or maintenance, enjoy a brilliant starting salary, and receive lots of support and coaching along the way.

Read on for more information on the roles, links to apply, tips on applying and our upcoming webinar with the Tesco Early Careers team...

THE ROLES



Maintenance Apprenticeships

Stronger Starts are now offering a Maintenance Apprenticeship! Apprentices will work alongside earning a Level 2 Property Maintenance Operative qualification – equivalent to 5 GCSE passes.

The 18-month programme sets you up with the skills you need for everyday duties in maintenance jobs.

FIND OUT MORE



Retail Apprenticeships

Retail apprentices will work, earn and learn, gaining a Level 2 National Standard in Retail qualification over the course of the programme.

You'll gain hands-on experience of how a store operates, and have the opportunity to experience different roles and tasks across the store.

FIND OUT MORE

Retail Apprenticeship What skills do you gain?

It's not just about stacking shelves!

RETAIL

Learn about all areas of retail and how a store works across all areas.

BUSINESS

Develop an understanding of how a business works - on a store and national level.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Develop customer service and communication skills in a wide range of scenarios.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Gain knowledge of the impact social media has on brand reputation.

TECHNOLOGY

Become proficient at using a range of different technologies.

FINANCE

Handle money and using financial operations in real-life situations.

STOCK

Learn to manage stock availability using systems and procedures.

PRODUCT PLACEMENT

Develop an understanding of product placement promotional activities.

TEAMWORK

Build your people and teamwork skills by working with a wide variety of colleagues.

TIME MANAGEMENT

Progress your time management skills and learn how to prioritise tasks.

PROBLEM-SOLVING

There will be lots of opportunities to develop your problem-solving skills in retail.

COMMUNITY

Gain knowledge of supporting local communities.



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Get Into Medicine.

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One of our doctors (Chief Mentors) will take you step-by-step through your application to medical school.

This includes:

- Application Timelines
- Interview Training
- Personal Statements
 - CV Building
 - UCAT Exams
 - Extracurriculars
- Accessing Medical Leadership Programmes, Awards Programmes and Scholarships to University

You'll also hear from a recently successful applicant on what it takes to make your candidacy to medical school stand out!

Understanding the pivotal role that work experience plays in shaping a student's perspective on their future career, we're delighted to extend an invitation to your students to participate in our FREE 6-month medical or 4-month dental virtual work experience programme.

Aiming to provide students with insights into the medical and dental fields, this free virtual work experience empowers students to make informed decisions about their future.

Students aged 14 and above are eligible to apply for a placement for FREE through these links:

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

Dentistry: <https://dental-mentor.org/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/>

Virtual work experience has been recognised by the Medical Schools and Dental Schools Council as a valuable substitute for in-person shadowing. This endorsement is underpinned by the Health Education England Discovery report, which highlights the positive impact of virtual work placements.

This virtual experience not only serves as a dependable alternative to traditional shadowing but also plays a pivotal role in equipping students with the necessary skills for their in-person work placements. In 2024, these 6-month medical and 4-month dental work experience programmes facilitated over 30,000 secondary school students in accessing complimentary work experience opportunities. Through structured instruction and direct engagement with healthcare professionals, students are well-prepared for their future endeavours.

Crafted in collaboration with Birmingham Universities Hospitals Trust and built with the flexibility of an E-learning format, participants can navigate their placements at their own pace, exploring vital topics like ethics, procedures, and broader team roles. This virtual experience not only enhances students' UCAS applications, but also strategically prepares them for the practical challenges and opportunities ahead.

Taking part in the Virtual Work Experience will provide:

- **Comprehensive Insights:** The programme covers a range of specialities, providing a deep understanding of medical and dental practices. Each month, a new focus area is introduced, allowing participants to delve into different aspects of the field.
- **Flexible Participation:** Tailored for students from years 10-11, the programme accommodates various schedules by being virtual. Participants have one month to complete each specialty, ensuring flexibility and ease of participation.
- **Recognised Certification:** Upon successful completion of all sessions, students will receive a certificate from Medic Mentor and UHB, validating their active participation which they can include in their UCAS and apprenticeships applications.

***The new speciality on General Practice or
Public Health & Oral Pathology is available now.***

Registering for these programmes is simple - students just need to complete the free online application form:

Aspiring Medics: <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shrGJUAtigzZzDwTN>

Aspiring Dentists: <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shr1YAbWctfkXarfQ>

Previously successful Medical students:

<https://medicmentor.org/successful-student-journeys-reviews/>

Previously successful Dental students:

<https://dental-mentor.org/successful-student-journeys-reviews/>

From Secondary School Student to Medical Scholarship Student: a step-by-step guide on getting into medical school successfully: <https://medicmentor.org/become-a-medic-mentor-student-2/>



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MEDIC MENTOR



YOUR MEDIC FAMILY

The Medical Schools Council acknowledges virtual work experience as an equal alternative to in-person shadowing based on a discovery report conducted by Health Education England. I encourage students aged 14 and over, interested in medicine to participate in our FREE National NHS Virtual Work Experience programme. We are pleased to offer a variety of medical specialties, with a focus this month on palliative care. This enables your students to gain a well-rounded perspective of working within the NHS.

This opportunity is for students in Years 10-11.

<https://medicmentor.org/university-hospitals-birmingham-trust-virtual-work-experience/>

Developed in collaboration with Birmingham Universities Hospitals Trust, this Virtual Work Experience has proven to be transformative for thousands of secondary school students over the past year. It also provides a strong foundation of knowledge for students who are preparing to undertake future in-person placements.

We've designed a 6-month medical e-learning work experience programme, focusing on one specialty each month, allowing students to set their own pace of learning. From structured teaching to direct interaction with doctors and healthcare professionals, our programme ensures students not only observe procedures but also gain a broader understanding of roles within the medical field.

Covering everything from confidentiality and ethics workshops delivered by the GMC to clinical procedures, our virtual work experience provides a crucial overview, thereby enhancing your students' UCAS applications.

Signing up is easy – students simply need to fill out the free online application form:

Why the Medic Mentor Virtual Work Experience is the largest in the UK...

- There are 6 Sessions in total providing the longest and most in-depth work experience available
- It covers 6 different areas of medicine whereas other work experiences only cover 1 or 2
- It is e-learning based so students can complete it in their own time around school work
- Students have 30 days to complete one session and then the next session drops
- Students are provided a certificate of completion once all 6 sessions are done
- Involves real doctors, clinical settings and high fidelity simulations
- Takes students on a complete patient journey
- Students get an insight into the multidisciplinary team
- Includes a free reflective journal (great for personal statements)
- It's completely free!
- *Why not sign up today?*



**University Hospitals
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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 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.

Register here: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

Once they've registered, students will be emailed links to their virtual work experience portals.

Please ask students to check their spam folders and mark their attendance on the day in order to receive their Work Experience Certificates.

This programme is suitable for students in year groups 10/11 who are interested in the following careers:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics
- Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy

The sooner students begin work experience, the better. During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with a variety of healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team.

Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with healthcare professionals throughout each day. This will empower students to make an informed career decision and demonstrate their commitment to healthcare in their UCAS applications.

Students will receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience programme. Those that complete the full 5-month programme will also be awarded Highly Commended References.

Students can register individually at any time throughout the 5-month programme using the link below. We recommend booking early to gain as much out of this programme as possible. Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs:

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

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Take your first steps into the world of healthcare careers
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After a compelling talk from our guest speaker about their career and
what they do day to day, you will **dive into live work experience sessions**
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Witness the journey of two patients from injury to recovery over 6
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CAREER *of the* WEEK

Solicitor

Solicitors provide expert legal support and advice on a range of personal and commercial issues.

As a solicitor, you'll take instructions from clients and advise on necessary courses of legal action. Clients can be individuals, groups, public sector organisations or private companies.

Depending on your area of expertise, you can advise on a range of issues, including:

- personal issues - buying and selling residential property, landlord and tenant agreements, wills and probate, divorce and family matters, personal injury claims and criminal litigation
- commercial work - helping new enterprises get established, advising on complex corporate transactions (including mergers and acquisitions) and business-related disputes
- protecting rights - making sure individuals are treated fairly by public or private bodies and receive compensation if unfairly treated.

Once qualified, you can work in private practice, in-house for commercial or industrial organisations, in local or central government, or in the court service.

The actual work carried out varies depending on the setting, your specialist area and the nature of the case.

You may use some of your time to give free help to clients who are unable to pay for legal services themselves. This is known as pro bono work.

Types of law

Solicitors can specialise in numerous practice areas, and these can often determine the firms you apply to.

Area of specialisation include:

- civil litigation
- criminal justice
- employment
- family and children
- human rights
- immigration
- private client
- property
- social welfare and housing
- tax

Responsibilities

Work can be split into:

contentious (litigious) legal work - resolving disputes between two or more parties, through litigation, arbitration or mediation. This can include drafting statements, negotiation and representing clients in court.

non-contentious (non-litigious) legal work - transactional or advisory in nature. This usually involves advising clients and drafting documents.



For more information click here