

Useful Career Websites



To support you with your career exploration we have pulled together a list of useful career websites. These are a great way for you to explore the options and opportunities available and start to plan out your actions and next steps. A shorter list of useful career sites is available via the EBP South website: <https://www.ebpsouth.co.uk/resources/online-careers-support>

Careers information:



<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/> Over 800 job profiles telling you what a job involves and how to get into it. Help with CVs and interview advice.



<https://www.startprofile.com/> Careers site for 11-24-year-old students. Create a personal profile to help identify jobs and training that will suit you. Explore jobs to find out what you could do. Explore different qualifications and training routes.



<https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/> An online resource that helps you consider your options. This resource has a range of sections dedicated to job sectors, qualifications, identifying and recording skills and an online test.



<https://www.planitplus.net/> It helps you match your subjects with possible careers, has a course-matching page to aid you in identifying courses relevant to your career interests.



<http://www.prospects.ac.uk> This website includes skill matching, careers advice and jobs and work experience sections. Choose your likely degree subjects (one at a time) and the website will give you ideas of graduate jobs you could consider and the skills you will develop.



<https://successatschool.org/> Useful careers guidance and careers zone focused on different jobs, what to study and how to get there.



<https://www.milkround.com/school-leavers> A career resource hub targeted at school and college leavers aged 16 to 18. Lots of information about careers, universities and apprenticeship options and associated support and guidance.



<https://www.push.co.uk/students.html> Push Talks are unique to any other school talk you've ever heard. They use comedy and storytelling to relate their deep expertise on higher and further education, careers, skills and employability.



www.icould.com icould gives you the inside story of how careers work. The icould storytellers relate their real-life career journeys. There are over a thousand easy to search, varied and unique career videos as well as hundreds of written articles.



<https://www.sunoutreach.org/> A website for students and parents with online resources. The resources include university, college and apprenticeships guides. The Flying Start Programme supports young people in preparing for life and study after school for students across Hampshire and IOW.

Parental Support and Guidance:



<http://www.parentalguidance.org.uk/> Advice, tips and guidance on all aspects from apprenticeships to colleges and higher education, to completing applications and interviews.

<http://www.careerwriters.com> Careers information and advice from experienced career writers.



<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/parents/their-career> A guide to what apprenticeships are, how you can support your young person to apply and what skills and experience will be relevant.

Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM):



<https://www.stem.org.uk/> Career information relating to science and maths, broken down into age categories for students with additional support for parents, teachers and careers staff.

IT and Digital careers:



<https://techskills.org/> Interested in a career in IT? Tech Skills unites employers and universities and provides details of courses and placement opportunities for students.



<https://www.bcs.org/> The Chartered Institute for IT provides events and insight into IT related skills and careers, alongside digital apprenticeships.



<https://www.itcareerfinder.com/it-careers.html> An American site that provides IT career path options and skills requirements.



<https://www.cybersecuritychallenge.org.uk/careers/typical-roles> Guidance around typical roles available in the cyber / security areas of IT.



<https://www.womenintech.co.uk/> provides advice and information about events and case studies for those interested in entering IT and digital careers.



<https://www.cyberfirstschools.co.uk/> Cyber First is designed to help nurture passionate and talented young people to enter a career in Cyber Security. Cyber First has competitions, activities, and events. It also has CyberFirst girls' development days and competitions.

Maths, Statistics and Accountancy:



www.mathscareers.org.uk Use this resource to explore the range of careers where mathematics plays a significant role.



<https://www.rss.org.uk/jobs-careers/career-development/types-of-job/> If you are forward thinking, IT-savvy, interested in finding practical solutions to problems in society and the world we live in and you enjoy working with numbers and people, this could be the career for you. The RSS's Careers in Statistics provides all you need to know about being a professional statistician.



<https://www.aat.org.uk/career-in-finance> Accountancy training company that provides vocational qualifications as an alternative to A Levels.

Mechanical, Engineering or Construction:



www.careersinquarrying.co.uk Quarrying gives us the rock, sand and gravel we need for places to live, work and play. Take a closer look at an industry many of us take for granted and its career opportunities. Look beneath the surface and you will find a vibrant, high tech and environmentally responsible industry that offers a host of exciting and rewarding career opportunities.



www.autocity.org.uk View useful information on careers and apprenticeships in the motor industry. Videos showing the 150+ motor careers that you could choose from.



www.citb.co.uk/apprenticeships and job vacancies – opportunities to get into construction industry with guidance and courses.



www.etrust.org.uk EDT (Engineering Development Trust) provides opportunities for 11-21-year-olds to enhance their technical, personal and employability skills through industry-led projects, industrial placements and specialised courses. It develops partnerships, build links between education and industry and helps organisations reach talent and connect with young engineers and scientists.



[http://www.setatraining.co.uk/](http://www.setatraining.co.uk) SETA stands for the Southampton Engineering Training Association. SETA has a training centre in Southampton and manages many apprenticeship programmes and the training for engineering apprentices.



<https://www.peta.co.uk/> PETA Training specialises in Business Administration, Customer Service, ICT Practitioner for networking and systems, Engineering, Team Leading and Management Apprenticeships.



<https://www.tomorrowengineers.org.uk/> Provides advice on what is engineering, things to consider and approaches to take in developing the skills required to become an engineer.



www.goconstruct.org Considering a career in construction? Explore and use the online tools to find out what a career in construction can offer you, whether you're starting out or considering a career change.



<http://housebuildingcareers.org.uk/> Guidance and job roles in house building such as bricklaying, carpentry, quantity surveying, sales advisor, roofer and others. Describes typical tasks, earning potential, qualifications, and career path.



www.oilandgas.org.uk Explore this site for careers information about the oil and gas industry. [OPITO](http://www.opito.org) is the global skills body for the oil and gas sector that also offers training courses and details on apprenticeships and training providers.



<https://www.architecture.com/> The Royal Institute of British Architects. Find information about careers in architecture, entry pathways, available support and guidance on studying architecture.

Medicine and Health:



www.stepintothens.nhs.uk Insight into over 350 potential career options within the NHS.



[https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/](https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk) Search careers within the NHS. There is much more than just doctors and nurses and you can compare roles, their characteristics and requirements. There are also apprenticeships within The NHS too of varying levels including degree level.



<http://www.medschools.ac.uk> This website has lots of useful information about medical school. If you look at "Studying Medicine, Resources for students and teachers", you will find information about entry requirements, different medical schools and UKCAT and BMAT.



<https://medicalmavericks.co.uk/> Medical Mavericks is a brilliant site which visually demonstrates routes and pathways into Health and Medicine careers. Medical Mavericks provides a wealth of knowledge about specific pathways as well as alternative routes and possibilities to popular careers (e.g. 'what to do if I don't get into medical school') and provides printables.

Law:



www.lawcareers.net View information about careers in law, apprenticeships and entry routes.



<https://www.law.ac.uk/resources/> The University of Law. Future Lawyers Network is a resource to help current and prospective law students become successful modern lawyers. With expert advice and insight, they aim to help you understand the legal market, prepare you for interviews and manage the early stages of your career.



<https://www.lawsociety.org.uk/career-advice/> There exists a wide variety of career options in the legal profession, the law society site looks at why you should choose a career in law, what your career choices are and how to progress.

Psychology, Criminology, Forensics and Sociology:



<https://careers.bps.org.uk/> The British Psychological Society is a registered charity which acts as the representative body for psychology and psychologists in the UK. The website offers advice and guidance on how to entry to a career in psychology.



http://www.discoversociology.co.uk/what_is_sociology discover what sociology is all about, what it is concerned with and careers related to this area of study.



<https://www.britsoccrim.org/> The British Society of Criminology is the sector's professional body and offers events and development and networking opportunities for careers in criminology.



<https://www.csofs.org/> contains resources packs about careers in forensic science, crime science investigation, laboratory work and similar.

Intelligence, Security and Services:

<https://www.mi5.gov.uk/careers>



<https://www.sis.gov.uk>



<https://www.gchq-careers.co.uk> MI5, MI6 and GCHQ offer a range of training, development and career opportunities for school leavers and graduates. Find out more about what it's like to work for the secret services, what they do and what they can offer you. Many roles from IT and Technical to English Language or Language Specialists, Administrative, Software Engineering and Cyber Security.



[https://www.joiningthepolice.co.uk/](https://www.joiningthepolice.co.uk) The site offers general information on joining the police force in the UK. It also details opportunities to get into an apprenticeship with the Police, what the entry routes are.



<https://www.fireservice.co.uk/> An unofficial website aimed for those interested in becoming firefighters. Click on 'Recruitment' for lots of information including tips on filling in forms, going for interviews, and the various tests you must complete. Contact details of UK fire and rescue services.



<https://skillsforjustice.org.uk/> Skills for Justice is a not-for-profit organisation committed to the development of an improved and sustainable workforce across the UK's Justice, Fire and Rescue, Local Government and Armed Forces sectors.



<https://apply.army.mod.uk/>



www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers



<https://www.raf.mod.uk/>

Explore careers in the armed forces.

Science and the Environment:



<https://www.iop.org/> Institute of Physics for ideas and advice on careers using physics.



<https://edu.rsc.org/future-in-chemistry/career-options> Royal Society of Chemistry for ideas and careers using chemistry.



<https://www.rsb.org.uk/careers-and-cpd/careers> Royal Society of Biology for ideas and careers using biology.



<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us/careers/working-here> Careers from forecasting, observations, technology and engineering to marketing, business development or finance. Find out about the benefits and rewards you can get if you work for the Met Office.



<https://the-sra.org.uk/SRA/Careers/SRA/Careers/Careers-in-Social-Research.aspx> If you are looking for a career in social research this site provides general advice on who social researchers work for, training, qualifications needed and where to job search.



<https://www.greenjobs.co.uk/> A green jobs recruitment agency with lists of jobs in a variety of industries.



<https://www.rgs.org/geography/choose-geography/careers/> The Royal Geographical Society provides information on career opportunities, studying geography and information on summer schools and research.



https://www.the-ies.org/education_and_careers The institution of environmental sciences for careers information, education and pathways into the environmental sciences.

Creative, Media and Entertainment:



<https://discovercreative.careers/#/> Brings together careers' information and opportunities from creative organisations. Find careers that you enjoy in all areas of creative skills from textiles to video games, dance and theatre to coding and CGI/animation.



<https://getintotheatre.org/> hundreds of ways to enter careers working in the theatre. Ideas on where and how to start and step by step guides to support you.



<https://ipa.co.uk/knowledge/careers-in-advertising/> To learn more about opportunities for a career in advertising, the right roles and how to get into a career in advertising.



<http://www.nctj.com/> The National Council for the training of journalists. Explore training schemes to equip you to work in this multi-media industry.



<https://www.screenskills.com/> ScreenSkills is the industry-led skills charity for the screen industries. The website provides insight, career development and other opportunities to help grow and sustain the skilled and inclusive workforce which is the foundation stone of the UK's global screen success.



www.spotlight.com The industry's leading casting resource, Spotlight is used by most TV, film, radio and theatrical companies throughout the UK, and many worldwide. Clients range from the BBC, Sky and Channel 4 through to small production companies and individual casting directors.



<http://www.federationofdramaschools.co.uk> The Federation of Drama Schools is a group of institutions that provide [conservatoire style vocational training](#) for those who want to be professional performers, theatre makers and technical theatre practitioners.

Teaching:



<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/> Look at up to date information about getting into the teaching profession. If you are interested in this career, this website is a must for you. You'll find out about the different training routes and what a career in teaching has to offer.

Food and Hospitality:



<https://careerscope.uk.net/> provides information about careers in hospitality, leisure and tourism, including learning about the industry, your options, career tools and getting work.



<https://tastycareers.org.uk/> includes role descriptions, apprenticeship and job vacancies and why you might consider a career in the food and drink industry.



<https://www.ifst.org/> The institute of food science and technology offers careers information about food science careers and how to get into them.

Land-Based, Vets and Animal / Animal Care:



<https://www.rcvs.org.uk/education/> The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons – gives a good overview of how to become a vet or veterinary nurse.



<http://www.rspca.org.uk/utilities/jobs> RSPCA website gives lots of facts about jobs in animal care and how to become an inspector.



https://www.aza.org/careers_in_zoos_and_aquariums Association of zoos and aquariums, details on the careers available and resources to help find them.



<https://www.lantra.co.uk/careers> Land-based and environmental careers. Explores Agriculture, Animal Care, Animal Technology, Aquaculture, Environmental Conservation, Equine, Farriery, Fencing, Fisheries Management, Floristry, Game & Wildlife Management, Land-based engineering, Horticulture, Landscaping & Sports Turf, Production Horticulture, Trees & Timber and Veterinary.



<https://www.careersinracing.com/explore-horseracing/> There are many different types of jobs in the horse racing industry. This website has case studies, details about the jobs, what's involved in the jobs, qualifications and advice.

Housing:



www.cih.org Working in housing is not just about the building - it's about making a positive difference to people's lives, their communities and their life chances by providing people with a decent home and environment in which to live. Look at the Housing Academy to find out about apprenticeship opportunities, qualifications, and training.

Fashion, Interior Design and Photography:



<https://www.ukft.org/skills-and-training/> the fashion and textiles industries skills body can help you identify training; understand career opportunities and the skills and qualifications you may require.



<https://fashiontextilemuseum.org/> The Fashion and Textile Museum is a cutting-edge centre for contemporary fashion, textiles and jewellery in London. Founded by iconic British designer Zandra Rhodes, the centre showcases a programme of changing exhibitions exploring this world. The Academy also runs courses for creative students and businesses.



<https://www.drapersjobs.com/article/top-10-careers-in-the-fashion-industry/> Sustainable fashion and digital innovations in the fashion industry.



<http://www.bipp.com/> The British Institute of Professional Photography supporting professional photographers offering qualifications, events, training and competitions.



<https://biid.org.uk/> The British Institute of Interior Design includes design challenges and competitions, advice on how to choose interior design courses and is the UK professional institute for interior designers.

Travel and Tourism / Working Abroad:



<https://www.itt.co.uk/> The Institute of Travel and Tourism is the professional body of the travel industry.



<https://www.prospects.ac.uk/jobs-and-work-experience/job-sectors/transport-and-logistics>
Detailed information about how to gain access to a career in Transport and Logistics.



<https://www.instituteofhospitality.org/> The Institute of Hospitality provides hospitality career and job seeking resources to its members through an extensive collection of resources. In addition, the Institute works closely with other industry organisations and government bodies to promote hospitality as the career of choice and to assist both members and non-members in locating educational and employment information to support their entrance into the field of hospitality.



<https://historicengland.org.uk/services-skills/education/careers-in-heritage> Historic England provides guidance on careers in the heritage industry including volunteering and work experience opportunities and information about areas of interest.

Volunteering and Work Experience:



<https://doit.life/volunteer/i-want-to-volunteer> Explore and apply for volunteering opportunities in your area.



<https://www.hants.gov.uk/jobs/volunteering> Volunteering opportunities in Hampshire including Countryside, Libraries, Community and Living, Education and Learning.



<https://www.ncvo.org.uk/ncvo-volunteering> Lots of useful information on finding a voluntary work placement.



<https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/> Supporting people aged 11-30 to develop life skills, gain work experience, and in accessing opportunities.



www.disabilityrightsuk.org Advice on disability rights. Information on: Getting it right for Disabled apprentices' details the experiences of Disabled people during their apprenticeship.



<https://www.gooverseas.com/volunteer-abroad> Offers opportunities for medical work experience and hospital volunteer projects for 16-25-year-olds. Interested in becoming a doctor, dentist, nurse or midwife? Applying to study medicine, nursing, midwifery, healthcare or dentistry at university? Studying biomedical sciences or applying for graduate entry medicine?



<https://wearencs.com/> If you are 15 to 17 and looking to get the most out of your summer, join the National Citizen Service for a great experience! Meet new people, make life-long friends and gain new skills for your CV.

Worldwide and European Study:



<https://www.studyoptions.com/> Study Options is a free, independent, expert service for people looking to study in Australia and New Zealand. The official representative of Australian and New Zealand universities and colleges in the UK and Ireland. The site supports the application process.



www.fulbright.org.uk The US-UK Educational Commission (Fulbright Commission) fosters mutual cultural understanding through educational exchanges between the US and the UK.



<https://www.hotcoursesabroad.com/> This site explores courses in overseas universities. Detailing courses available in popular overseas locations as well as discussing important issues such as finance, accommodation and visa requirements. It includes information on scholarships.



<http://astarfuture.co.uk> A Star Future Ltd provides information about international higher education opportunities to students, parents and advisors, including choosing the right university and course, the application process, entry requirements, financial information, tuition fees, the cost of living. It offers an online service as well as giving presentations in schools.



<http://ec.europa.eu/education> European Commission of Education and Training is a useful resource for practitioners to gain awareness of current and future trends. Comprehensive industry sector and equal opportunities information is available by country which can be compared to the UK.



www.eunicas.co.uk Eunicas is an independent application support service. Want to study abroad? this is the website for you. Find out where you can study and what courses are on offer.

UK Universities:



www.ucas.com Guidance associated with all your options from universities, UCAS points, conservatoires and exploring career options and their requirements. Includes an Open Days finder for universities.



www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance This site provides up to date information on student finance, fees & help available.



<https://www.theuniguide.co.uk/> Includes an A Level explorer, ways to find courses and information about where you can study.



<https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/> Includes information about where and what to study along with league tables and general advice for university.



<https://www.informedchoices.ac.uk/> What you study at sixth form or college can affect your options at university, use informed choices to help you understand which subjects open up different degrees.



<https://www.topuniversities.com/> Information about worldwide universities and top tips for student life.



<https://discoveruni.gov.uk/> The official website for comparing UK higher education course data from the Office of Students, info and advice on making choices, parent and carer guides and downloadable resources.



<https://www.grows.ac.uk/> One of the most important questions when choosing what to study, where to study it - and even whether to study it - is 'Will I get a job at the end?' Another important question is 'What will I earn?' Grows is here to answer those questions.



www.applytouni.com A useful website answering all your questions about applying to Uni, clearing, courses, fees, finance, personal statements, university guides, league tables and open days.

Apprenticeships and Traineeships*

*Please note that while Traineeships may still be offered locally, Traineeships nationally concluded in July 2023.



<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/>



<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/>



<https://www.gov.uk/find-traineeship> *The National Government sponsored websites for information on apprenticeships, traineeships and the vacancies database including options to apply online.



<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/> The institute for apprenticeships and technical education provides information for apprentices, available apprenticeship standards and resources.



<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/> Explains what apprenticeships are, how they work, and the different types. It also provides resources for prospective apprentices and parents to help you understand everything you need to know to secure and succeed in an apprenticeship.



www.apprenticeshipguide.co.uk It's full of information on what apprenticeships you can study, how you apply, who offers apprenticeship schemes, and much, much more. Have a look at the industry sectors to decide and see what's on offer.



<https://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/> Apprenticeship and traineeship opportunities and matching site.



www.careermap.co.uk Many apprenticeship offerings, jobs and training options, along with videos focused on apprenticeship experiences and roles in a variety of companies.



<https://targetapprenticeships.co.uk/> Target apprenticeships provide a guide for school leavers thinking about the apprenticeship route and details each step of the apprenticeship process. There is also a chance to discover employers and apprenticeship opportunities.

Job and Apprenticeship Vacancies:



<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/yourfuture> It provides information on careers, apprenticeships, traineeships and finding work.



<http://access-southampton.co.uk/> A weekly job, training and opportunity bulletin issued for the Southampton and Hampshire areas.



<https://www.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk/> UK wide job and apprenticeship search engine for school leavers.



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk Information is available on all the alternatives to university. Includes distance learning, apprenticeships, foundation degrees, getting a job, gap years and vocational training.

Labour Market Information:



<http://www.parentalguidance.org.uk/labour-market-information/what-will-the-future-job-market-be-like> Articles written by career professionals with links to resources that will help you identify current and future trends.

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