

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES



Welcome back, everyone! We hope you had an enjoyable break filled with fun and rest, allowing you to return feeling ready for a fantastic new term.

Clearing is how unis and colleges fill any places they still have on their courses. From 2 July – 19 October 2026, you can apply for a course using Clearing if you're not already holding an offer from a university or college. Watch this video on "How to apply through UCAS Clearing: A step-by-step guide."

The Business of Success: Entrepreneurship for Students. With Simon Arora, British businessman and former CEO of B&M. This talk on January 29th 10:00-11:00 is perfect for anyone curious about business, entrepreneurship, or how to make their mark in the world of commerce.

Get an inside look at the fast-paced world of broadcast journalism with Richard Murrell, Lecturer at Ravensbourne and former Lead Director at BBC News. Behind the Scenes: Welcome to the Newsroom, 4th February 10:00-10:45. Register here.

Discover everything you need to know about BA(Hons) Interior Design. In this session on 19th January, 12:00-13:00 we will explore what you will learn on the course and how online study works at Falmouth.

Preventing Bullying in Schools - Free Psychology Online Taster Session with Bangor Uni. In this webinar on 21st January, 16:30-17:15, you'll explore what drives bullying, its impact, and how changing school culture—and empowering bystanders—can make a real difference.

University, Money and Me! 22nd January, 17:15-18:15. Whether you're heading to university next year or just exploring your options, this session is designed to give you confidence and clarity about the financial side of student life.

JOB OF THE WEEK



Editorial Assistant

Editorial assistants use excellent grammar and communication skills to help the editorial team produce and publish books, magazines, journals and online content. You'll need a great eye for detail, the ability to spot mistakes, commercial awareness of trends in the publishing industry, and excellent time management skills, so that you always hit strict deadlines.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

The UK employment rate for people aged 16 to 64 years was estimated at 74.9% in August to October 2025. This is down in the latest quarter, but largely unchanged on estimates a year ago.

Source

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UCAS has launched a new online tool that pulls together nearly 800 scholarships, bursaries and grants all in one place on the UCAS website for the first time. [Explore here.](#)



[Your guide to the UCAS Hub.](#) Every student can use their UCAS Hub to explore their own personal passions, skills, and attributes and create a dashboard with their tailored requirements.



Get ready for [National Apprenticeship Week 2026](#): 9th-15th February! The theme for NAW 2026 is 'Skills For Life'. A week-long celebration that brings together businesses and apprentices across the country to shine a light on the positive impact that apprenticeships make to individuals, businesses and the wider economy



Check out this [Events Map](#) to see what's happening in our area! Some events like SKILLSFEST are taking place from the end of January so explore the map and see which you feel would be most useful.



Join [this webinar](#) for a thought-provoking panel exploring how AI is transforming public services, and how apprenticeships are enabling NHS organisations and local councils to build the digital and data capabilities needed to deliver better services.



NAW 2026 Apprentices, Learners and Parents Toolkit. A tailored guide designed for apprentices, individuals and parents to get involved in NAW2026. [Download here.](#)



Did you know there are two entry routes into Policing with The Met?

- [Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship \(PCDA\)](#), or
- [Police Constable Entry Programme \(PCEP\)](#).

[Become a police officer](#), unlock your potential, support London's communities and make London a safer city for all. [Watch this video](#) to find out more.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"At The BBC, our unique mission and purpose serves our audiences – in the UK and globally – with high-quality, impartial output and services which inform, educate and entertain.

We push boundaries, challenge thinking and produce content that people love. No matter the team you join or the role you're in, this is your BBC."

Find out more [here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"As a Falmouth student, you'll be challenged to think differently, break the mould and push the limits of possibility. You'll have the freedom, support, and real-world opportunities to challenge conventions, think boldly, and explore the boundaries of what's possible. Our students fuel each other to push the limits of what creativity can do." Read more [here](#).

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WORK EXPERIENCE

The InvestIN Scholarship Scheme

Our scholarship scheme offers students aged 15–18 the chance to attend a fully funded one-week in-person Summer Experience. With 15 career paths to choose from, you'll gain real-world insights, meet industry professionals and take part in hands-on simulations that will bring your future career to life.

Applications are now open!

Deadline: 20th February 2026



WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAMMES




Find the right career path for you, in your own time!

Navigating the world of work can be daunting and stressful. We understand, we've been through it with thousands of students, we feel your pain. Complete our experiences around your studies and begin your career now.





Calling all Year 12s!



 Thursday 8th January 2026

 6:00–7:00pm

 Virtual Event

 Target Audience: Year 12s nationwide

 Perfect for students interested in:

Audit • Tax • Advisory • Finance • Business • Professional Services

Ready to get a head start on your career? Join us for an exciting virtual session with Forvis Mazars, one of the world's leading professional services firms, as they reveal everything you need to know about their exclusive Work Experience opportunities launching this January. Whether you're curious about Audit, Tax, Advisory or simply exploring your options, this is your chance to discover what's on offer, learn how to apply, and find out how you can kickstart your professional journey with a global brand supporting talent across 100+ countries. Don't miss it — your future starts here!

APPRENTICESHIPS

Ignite Sport UK is a registered training provider specialising in the provision of sports-based apprenticeships.

Full-time paid apprenticeships in the following roles are available here at Ignite Sport and within a range of schools, sport related employers, coaching companies, leisure facilities and sports clubs – apply now to begin your apprenticeship journey in 2022

Level 2 Community Activator Coach Apprenticeship

Level 3 Teaching Assistant

Level 3 Sporting Excellence Professional

Level 4 Sports Coach

Level 5 Learning & Skills Tutor

Ignite Sport UK is a leading training provider in the provision of sports-related apprenticeships, NGB awards and vocational qualifications.

Apprenticeships are available at Intermediate Level (2) to degree level (5) for individuals wishing to develop a career in an exciting industry. Our apprenticeships are suitable for 16-18 year olds as well as 19+ learners with a strong interest in sport, leisure and teaching.

Upon successful placement, we will provide full training, qualifications, mentoring support and guidance throughout your journey.

Learn, Train, Achieve: British Army Apprenticeships

Ready for a career packed with adventure, real-world skills, and recognised qualifications? Join our webinar designed for students, young people, and those who support them, and discover the exciting opportunities offered by British Army apprenticeships.

Tuesday, 3 February 2026
16:00 - 17:00

I WANT TO ATTEND



Explore what life as a soldier is really like, uncover a wide range of roles from engineering and logistics to healthcare and IT and learn how you can earn while you learn.

You'll also hear first-hand from current soldiers and apprentices about their:

- training,
- career journeys,
- and what day-to-day Army life involves

UNIVERSITY

Women in Computer Science Programme



The Women in Computer Science programme is a sustained programme running over six months that gives female and non-binary students in Year 12 (S5 in Scotland/Year 13 in Northern Ireland) an insight into what studying Computer Science at university is like. It doesn't require any previous experience studying Computer Science and would also be well suited to those with an interest in Mathematics. It is run by the University of Cambridge Department of Computer Science and Technology in partnership with our [Women@CL network](#), which supports women and non-binary people in this Department.



The Christ's Medicine Taster Day is an annual event giving you an opportunity to explore what it is like to study Medicine at Christ's and Cambridge, including talks, Q&As and sample academic sessions from our Medicine academics and current students at Christ's.