

Step Into... your career



June/July 2024

A2 Students: From now to results day!



We have enjoyed being part of your Greenhead experience and hope that everything turns out as planned. If anything does change, the Careers Team will be in college during results day to support you any way we can.

- The last day for a careers appointment in college is Tuesday 9 July. Support will be available through C+K Careers after that.
- **All students** can contact Susan Stewart, C+K Careers Advisor or the C+K Team for support out of term-time

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A2 students, please do let us know what your plans are after college; you can do this in various ways:

- a) Via your tutor
- b) Via the destinations questionnaire:
<https://forms.office.com/e/gmYDMfnh0W>
- c) Speak to us directly on results day or before if you are in college.

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What have you missed on Teams Announcements?

ALL STUDENTS

- Virtual Insight into University Course: Explore STEM studies at university
- Fragomen's summer (legal) work experience
- Did you make it to any of the Sheffield Uni online subject taster sessions?
- Nestle Degree Apprenticeships Food Science/Quality Assurance

A1 STUDENTS

- Social Mobility Day 13 June 2024
- UCAT Prep Plan
- 24 Hours at York St John University
- KPMG Work Experience (Finance/Business/Law/Tax/Tech)
- Engage with Birmingham University
- Huddersfield University: Headstart Programme has opened for applications



A2 STUDENTS

- University of Hull Scholarships: applications close 23 June 2024
- Apprenticeship at Uni of Leeds: Laboratory Technician
- Financial Support for Uni: Scholarships and bursaries brochure 2024/25
- Apprenticeships vacancies via the National Business College (local employers)
- Construction Careers Fair Wednesday 26 June
- ASK Padlet – Apprenticeship vacancies

Bradford University Webinars

Get Results Day Ready – A2 students

Thursday 27 June 6.00 – 7.30pm [sign up here](#)

Make your Personal Statement Stand Out / Making the Most of Summer – A1 students

Thursday 2 July 6.00-7.30pm [sign up here](#)

Click on the image to access the guide. You may be required to register with your email address.



What to write in a personal statement

The summer holiday is a perfect time to start thinking about your personal statement either for university or an apprenticeship. A personal statement is a reflective document that gives an honest opinion of your thoughts, skills and interests. This is as relevant for employment as for university and gives you a working document to help populate individual application forms.

These tips have been adapted from the Medical Schools Council, but relevant for everybody!

A personal statement is exactly that, personal and you should:

- Say why you are applying.
- Explain what makes you suitable to study your chosen subject.
- Reflect on your work experience and what you have learnt about yourself or the subject.
- Talk about current affairs or news-worthy stories that are relevant to your decision to study further.
- Mention any other higher education outreach activities you may have attended.
- Include some information about what you do in your spare time and explain how this has developed your skills.

A good template for a first draft includes an introduction, knowledge and interest in the subject, relevant experiences or extended reading, hobbies and interests and a conclusion.



WBD Apprenticeships Now Live!

Warner Bros. Discovery Apprenticeships – Applications Open NOW!

At Warner Bros. Discovery, we are offering 4 new apprentice roles across our business. Want to start your career story here? Check out our opportunities below:

- [Film Marketing Apprentice](#)
- [Client Services Apprentice, WBSL](#)
- [Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Apprentice](#)

Why apply for an Apprenticeship with WBD?

As an apprentice, you will have the opportunity to learn from industry professionals while studying towards a relevant qualification that will help you build both personal and professional skills.

You will also be part of our Early Talent network of over 100 interns & apprentices across London, giving you access to an exclusive learning programme and exciting events throughout your apprenticeship!

Sound like the right path for you?

[To find out further information click here!](#)



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Enjoy Maths? An Audit Career at KPMG could be for you!

Supporting many of the world's largest organisations and helping to build trust in businesses and the economy, you will be responsible for examining financial statements to make sure they are fair and accurate.

Don't worry if you don't have experience! **All you need is a strong interest in finance and be on track for 120 UCAS points for your A-Levels or equivalent.**

Prosthetics and Orthotics



Would you like to combine Science, Engineering and Healthcare in your career? If so, consider this Allied Health Professional career where there is a **huge demand for specialists**.

Prosthetists provide artificial limbs for people who have had an amputation or who have been born without limbs.

Orthotists provide splints and braces for people who need part of their body supported, corrected or protected.

Salford is the only university in England that offers a full-time [BSc \(Hons\) in Prosthetics and Orthotics](#). University of Strathclyde in Scotland also offers this [course](#). Despite the huge demand for specialists in the field, and the global opportunities this career affords, it isn't as high profile as other health pathways – this could be your chance to make a huge difference in the healthcare sector.

Standard entry requirements are 120 UCAS Tariff points including a B in Maths or Physics. You will also be entitled to Additional Funding Support for healthcare students.

Leeds Conservatoire: Monologue Bootcamp

Monologue Bootcamp



We are delighted to be collaborating again with Guildhall School of Music & Drama to deliver our **Monologue Bootcamp**, a series of free workshops and activities created to support students from disadvantaged and underrepresented backgrounds to navigate applications to Performing Arts courses in higher education.

The programme will run twice in 2024 and both bootcamps will be in-person:

- **Tuesday 6 August - Thursday 8 August 2024 – at Leeds Conservatoire, for those in travel distance from Leeds.**
- **Tuesday 27 August - Thursday 29 August 2024 – at Guildhall School of Music & Drama, for those in travel distance from London**

Students will learn about the audition process, and practise essential skills to enable them to choose, interpret and perform a monologue. This course is **free of charge** and is funded as part of both organisations' Access & Participation activity. Applicants must meet eligibility criteria in order to apply for either course. You can [read the full criteria on our website](#).

Applications close at the end of June.
To Apply and for further information [CLICK HERE](#)

CAREER OF THE MONTH

Animal Physiotherapy

<https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/animal-physiotherapist>

Average salary (per annum) £18,500 – £65,000 depending on experience

Many animal physiotherapists are self-employed and charge per appointment

What is an animal physiotherapist?

The purpose of physiotherapy is to help restore and maintain mobility after injury or surgery. You would be working with domestic pets, farm animals and exotic pets through assessment, massage, ultrasound, electrotherapy, exercise and owner education.

Responsibilities of this role.

As an animal therapist, you'll:

- treat a range of complaints, including spinal problems, joint problems and injuries to muscles, ligaments and tendons
- facilitate post-surgical rehabilitation
- devise exercise regimes for a range of conditions, from neurological conditions, to obesity, to preventative physiotherapy.

You'll also need to:

- provide advice on adapting an animal's living environment
- administer patient records.

What to expect

Jobs are available across the country, but if you open your own practice be prepared to travel often and over large distances. You will be working with veterinary practices as you will only be able to work with animals that have been referred by a veterinary surgeon. This is a physically demanding job due to carrying equipment and exercising animals; a good level of fitness is required.

Some of the skills required:

A genuine interest in animal care

Strong communication and team work skills

Administration and record keeping

Interest in anatomy and physiology

An aptitude for problem solving

Patient, sensitive, persistent, flexible and reliable

What to do to get into this career

This is not a protected title, so there are a variety of routes:

- completing an undergraduate degree in human physiotherapy or vet nursing followed by postgraduate studies in animal physiotherapy
- completing an undergraduate degree in animal vet physiotherapy – available at Harper Adams University and ARU Writtle.

General A Level grades: BBB with at least one science subject

Developing your soft skills

From employer surveys these are the following skills that are going to be needed in the workplace, so how can you demonstrate that you have these skills?

Communication:

- Writing essays
- Reading and following instructions accurately.
- Taking part in class presentations.
- Being a mentor.
- Participating in tutor group and class activities or discussions.
- Part of a sports team, creative arts group, enrichments that encourage interaction.
- Paid work – dealing with people, following procedures.
- Volunteering – helping, listening and caring for people.

Leadership:

This isn't just about holding a leadership role. Developing leadership skills shows that you can manage your work / life balance.

- Time management – creating a revision plan, managing homework.
- Conflict management – resolve problems amongst friends, classmates, customers.
- Problem solving and motivation – knowing when and where to seek guidance, organising group activities, tutor rep, mentor.
- What leadership roles have you taken on? For example, do you take leadership roles during class activities, are you a sports team captain, have you lead groups in Scouts or Guides, have you participated in the Duke of Edinburgh's Scheme?

Emotional Intelligence:

This often includes positivity, persistence and resilience. Employers look for those people who see solutions rather than problems.

- Staying calm in difficult situations.
- Looking for answers to problems and being able to see alternative solutions.
- Keeping a positive attitude when things get difficult.
- Knowing your limits and when to ask for help.
- Understanding and managing emotions – your own and recognising the emotions of others.

Flexibility and problem solving:

- Adapting to different situations.
- Being able to prioritise.
- Taking on additional responsibilities.
- Multi-tasking.
- Taking on challenges outside of your comfort zone.
- Rearranging plans at short notice to accommodate unforeseen circumstances.
- Researching solutions to problems beyond the standard requirements.
- Asking questions to gain a more detailed understanding.

To develop your soft skills further, have a look at some free online learning with the National Careers Service. [The Skills Toolkit | National Careers Service](#)

Job search information

Check out some useful resources on:

Government apprenticeship search site <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

Amazing Apprenticeships <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/live-broadcasts/>

Rate My Apprenticeship <https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/>



C&K Careers share vacancies on their facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ckcrecruitline/>

websites for job searching:

www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk

www.indeed.co.uk

<http://www.do-it.org> (volunteering opportunities)

www.kirklees.gov.uk

www.fish4.co.uk

Check out the Careers page on Moodle for more useful websites

- Start putting together a CV and send/hand out speculatively to local employers.
- Look out for seasonal work in shops, cafes, pubs and restaurants for example.
- Vacancies are often advertised on social media AND Ask friends and family – it is often who you know!
- Create a profile on job search sites. We have information about applying for jobs in the Careers Library.
- We highlight local & national vacancies/apprenticeships and advertise on Teams Announcements. Make sure you are checking these regularly

Here are some apprenticeship vacancies advertised on

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

Digital Marketing Degree Apprenticeship with R.F. Publishing Ltd in Bradford

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000250815>

Project Manager Degree Apprenticeship with Mott Macdonald in Leeds

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000253270>

Geotechnical Engineer Degree Apprenticeship with Mott Macdonald in Leeds:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000251072>

Electron Microscopy Degree Apprenticeship with the University of Leeds (Studying at the Uni of Bradford):

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000254620>

Development Chemist Degree Apprenticeship with Rocol in Swillington:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000243794>

Lab Technician Degree Apprenticeship with Mativ in Manchester:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000252021>

Fire Suppression Design Engineer Degree Apprenticeship with Johnson Controls Building Efficiency UK Ltd:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000256926>

Actuarial Technician Level 4 Apprenticeship with Capita PLC in Leeds

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000250113>