



Careers Bulletin

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Nautical Leadership Experience

The [Nautical Leadership Experience \(NLE\)](#), a fully funded residential programme for 16 – 18 year olds designed to inspire the next generation of leaders through adventure, teamwork and hands-on maritime learning.

Based at [UWC Atlantic](#) on the stunning South Wales coastline, NLE takes place during October half-term from 23 October – 1 November 2026 and offers young people the chance to gain practical nautical skills, recognised qualifications and valuable insight into the wide range of careers available within the maritime sector—no previous experience is required.

NLE is particularly suited to students who are eager to challenge themselves, build confidence and develop skills that will benefit them in education, employment and beyond. Throughout the programme, participants strengthen their leadership, communication and resilience while working alongside like-minded young people in a supportive and inclusive environment.

The programme is limited to 12 places and the deadline to apply is 31 August. Applicants will be notified if their application is successful by 16 September 2026.

Please see [here](#) for the NLE Brochure 2026.

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Being part of the Higherin community has its perks - students can get access to jobs before anyone else knows about them.

Hundreds of roles go live this autumn, but you can register your interest now and get on the radar of future employers early.

See [here](#) for a list of employers where you can register your interest.

Get into Medicine Conference

This final conference will take place on Sunday 19 July from 9:30am – 1:30pm and provides students with a comprehensive overview of the medical school admissions process as they prepare for the upcoming UCAS application cycle.

Throughout the morning, students will receive guidance on:

- What medical schools are looking for in applicants
- UCAT preparation and admissions testing
- Choosing appropriate medical schools strategically
- Writing a competitive personal statement
- Gaining and reflecting on work experience effectively
- Interview preparation and common admissions pitfalls
- Scholarships, mentorship and strengthening an overall application

Students can register for free [here](#)

Creative Learning and Marketing Assistant – Year 13 leavers

This role is offered through Breakthrough a paid pre-employability programme designed to provide entry routes into the creative industry for 18–25-year-olds who may be facing barriers to finding meaningful employment.

The opportunity is for a 6-month paid Artswork traineeship at the Jasmin Vardimon Company in Ashford. And would be from 28 September 2026 – 28 March 2027.

Please see [here](#) for more information.

Get Ahead this Summer

[The Sixth Formers' Guide to Degree Apprenticeships](#) has pulled together a list of key actions to put in place over the summer. Not everything has to be completed at once, but even ticking off a few of these steps will be great preparation for future applications for degree apprenticeship opportunities.

The guide highlights a range of opportunities with leading UK employers across a variety of exciting industries, including [accounting, engineering, construction, law, technology and business & management](#).

The accompanying [TV programmes](#) explore key questions such as 'What is a degree apprenticeship?' alongside insights from recruiters and apprentices at Barclays, KPMG, PwC and AtkinsRéalis.

Different employers recruit in different ways. Use the guide to [understand the stages of a typical application process](#) and what employers look for when recruiting their degree apprentices.

Explore [Employer Profiles](#) and [A-Z of Degree Apprenticeship Employers](#) to identify organisations and programmes that are of interest. Shortlisting employers now can help make the application process more manageable later.

Build a CV: All experience counts, whether it is a part-time job, volunteering or formal work experience. Identify the key skills and knowledge gained from each experience to help develop useful examples to use in future applications and interviews.