

# **Careers Bulletin**



Read through the bulletin for more information on apprenticeships, events and opportunities

## Monday 8th February 2021

The Careers Department is open daily from 8.30am to 4pm. We are always happy to see students. To book an appointment please come in person to the office in the LRC. The Careers Bulletin will be emailed to all students weekly, so please look out for it as it includes important information.

## Meet the Russell Group: Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 12:00 to 19:00

This online and interactive experience will allow you to explore all 24 Russell Group universities and chat directly to their representatives and ambassadors. You will be able to view information and videos about each university, link directly to Virtual Campus Tours to explore university facilities and accommodation, download prospectuses and take part in 13 live webinars in the virtual auditorium.

Find out more *here*.

# Celebrating Women in STEM- University of Birmingham

In honour of the <u>International Day of Women and Girls in Science</u> we would like to invite you to a webinar **Celebrating Women in STEM.** 

# Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 14:00-15:00

Hear from our panel of female academics in the College of Engineering and Physical Sciences, as they share their experience of being a woman in STEM, and take part in the Q&A afterwards.

# **Dr Ana Peón-Nieto - School of Mathematics**

## Dr Leah-Nani Alconcel - School of Metallurgy & Materials

Dr Andreea Radu - School of Computer Science

## Dr Pola Goldberg Oppenheimer - School of Chemical Engineering

#### Dr Lauren Thomas-Seale - Department of Mechanical Engineering

We will also have current students available at the Q&A to answer any studentspecific queries.

This webinar will provide an insight to the possibilities offered by STEM, and is open to all. Please <u>register to join</u>.

For more information please contact <a href="mailto:epsoutrech@contacts.bham.ac.uk">epsoutrech@contacts.bham.ac.uk</a>



# We are excited to be holding a virtual careers open day with a focus on Apprenticeships.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February : 12pm to 2pm & 6.30pm to 8.30pm

Wednesday 10 February: 12pm to 2pm & 6.30pm to 8.30pm

Further details can be found on the website link below.

https://www.baesystems.com/en/careers/careers-in-theuk/apprenticeships/maritime/open-days



#### National Apprenticeship Week

On Tuesday 9 February, to celebrate National Apprenticeship Week, our team are holding an event to provide an overview into apprenticeships. The Metropolitan Police will be joining the session to give an insight into the Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship Programme (PCDA).

Full details and booking

#### **Undergraduate Student Finance**

On **Wednesday 10 February**, students can tune into our Wednesday Webinar on Student Finance where we will talk about important topics such as student loans, tuition fee loans, money management and more. Join us at either 12.30pm or 4.30pm (GMT) to learn everything students need to know about student finance.

For full details and booking

#### **Disability Awareness Day**

We are delighted to invite students once again to our Annual Disability Awareness Day which is taking place on **Thursday 25 March 2021**, 9.30am – 12.00 noon.

The day is aimed for young people who have a disability or additional learning needs, who are interested in going to university and would like to find out more about what support is available. Parents, carers and teachers are very welcome to attend the virtual event.

The programme for the day includes the opportunity to hear from our students and their experiences, to enjoy listening to speakers who will talk about the support available at university and some advice on what to do next.

This event will be delivered virtually.

Please email Kiran Sandhu kiran.sandhu@brunel.ac.uk to book a spaces



# We're thrilled to announce that applications are now open for our Virtual Insight Week programme.

If you're in Year 12 and you're keen to understand how you can progress your career in the world of business, accounting or technology at PwC, our Virtual Insight Week offers you a fantastic opportunity to do just this. During this action packed week you can choose from a range of sessions covering Accounting, Business, Technology and your career development. You'll also have the chance to connect with our people and hear their stories.

The programme will run virtually across five days from Monday 26 July - Friday 30 July 2021.

Go to

https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/student-careers/school-careers/ourprogrammes/insight-weeks.html

for more details and to apply.

a she was a second

You want a career with opportunities?

We have a world of them

# **Investing in Futures:**

Apprenticeships play an important role in our business, and provide people an alternative route into a challenging and rewarding career with HSBC. We believe apprenticeships opportunities are one of the very best ways to equip people with the skills they need to succeed.

HSBC Foundation and Degree Apprenticeships will be going live within the upcoming National Apprenticeship Week (8<sup>th</sup> February 2021). These opportunities will be available on our UK Apprenticeships page.

HSBC 2021 Work Experience opportunities are live now and students can apply via our <u>Work Experience</u> page.

# "A taste of success" bite-sized virtual events

The Early Careers team at HSBC have created a series of bite-sized virtual events and supporting material, all designed with the aim of developing your soft skills. These are all geared to give confidence on current and future employment prospects, mythbust common recruitment misconceptions and target key employability skills to give you an advantage when looking for a career.

# **Find Out More**

The webinars will all be free to attend, and will be hosted via Meet & Engage or Zoom. Please register in advance through the following links. Spaces are limited, and will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

# National Apprenticeship Week, exclusive virtual events:

#### 8th February at 6pm – 7pm - HSBC & You

Uncovering the culture, benefits, mission and breadth of opportunities available at HSBC.

#### <u>10th February at 6pm – 7:30pm - Do I need a degree to enhance my career?</u>

An exploration of various career routes that are available, with an emphasis on what you need to consider when trying to choose the correct one for you. You will also get an opportunity to ask question to our panellists and hear their professional journey.

You can <u>register for both or either of these exclusive</u> webinars via the following link: <u>https://meetandengage.com/hsbcfutures</u>

11th March at 10am – 11am - How to stand out?

A session dedicated to applications. This will include a breakdown of CVs in general and aim to demystify online applications. We will also include application hints & tips from an employer's perspective to give you an insight into what is looked for.

Register for this webinar:

https://hsbc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_g5LQIWAyS\_-078W4DoSv1A

#### 22nd April at 10am – 11am - How to be the best you?

An exploration of the different type of interviews, alongside their purposes. This will cover what signs to look for, and how you can maximise your chances at success. We will also include different tips and tricks from an employer's perspective to give you an insight into what is looked for.

Register for this webinar:

https://hsbc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_cbg82vsMSkWt2ztQtAKLUQ

We will be sending newsletters monthly on a variety of key topics. Please see below for a runway of expected topics over the next few months:

<u> May – Wellbeing</u>

June - Classroom to boardroom, A day in a life?

July – Progression stories....

August – Resilience 'so what now & moving forward'

#### **Financial Education**

Financial Education team at HSBC UK has worked with schools for over 30 years, helping young people to learn about money and give them access to the skills they need for everyday life. For further information and resources please visit: <a href="https://www.hsbc.co.uk/financial-education/">https://www.hsbc.co.uk/financial-education/</a>

FIND OUT MORE

# **Building Your Future Career at Uni**

# Thursday 18 February, 6-7pm

Going to university can open up a range of work-related opportunities, and students taking any subject can gain work experience and develop the graduate skills required by employers. At this online event, for Year 12 and Year 13 students and their parents, we'll share information about the university experience focusing on placement and sandwich years, internships, volunteering, work-based assignments and modules, networking opportunities, support for entrepreneurs and, careers advice and support at university.

This event will feature speakers from a range of universities, including Goldsmiths, Reading, St Mary's Twickenham, Solent University Southampton, and the University of Suffolk.

The event will be hosted on Gotowebinar and registration is now open!

https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5586484852014611469?source=Goldsmiths



Join us virtually to have your questions about university answered. Be inspired by taster lectures and industry talks from leading experts, which will give you a taste of university and could provide inspiration for your personal statement too. Plus, boost your A level/level 3 performance with our masterclasses.

<u>Click here</u> for more information and to book your place.

10/02/21	<b>Industry Talk</b> : Media Matters with Andrea Thompson from Marie Claire.
----------	--

10/02/21	<b>Industry Talk</b> : Criminology/Law - In conversation with PC Cham Singh Rathore.
10/02/21	Getting ready: Preparing for life at university.
22/02/21	<b>English Literature Masterclass</b> : 'Wild and Whirling Words' - Hamlet and the Power of Language.



#### **Half Term Webinars**

This February half term, join us to find out more about the next steps in applying to HE with our week long programme of events. We will be exploring: **Why go to Uni?**, **Student Finance**, **Degree Apprenticeships** and **Budgeting**. Please share this opportunity with your students or come along and find out more yourself!



#### 'LSBU 100 - Women in Engineering' series

What is cyber security and how does it work in action? In part six of our 'LSBU 100 -Women in Engineering' event series on Weds 24th February 1-1.30pm, we will be exploring the world of cyber security where you get to discover how hacking works in action. Email us to register your interest and we'll be in contact once registration opens.



#### **UCAS Discover Apprenticeships**

#### A week of live sessions covering everything students need to know about apprenticeships, sponsored by the National Apprenticeship Service!

This National Apprenticeship Week (Monday 8 February – Friday 12 February) we're hosting a week of dedicated live sessions, information, and advice about everything to do with apprenticeships! Each day students will discover something new about what's on offer and what's involved.

Students can book now to have the opportunity to:

speak to <u>employers and providers</u> offering apprenticeships in our virtual exhibition hall.

find out if an apprenticeship is right for them and how to choose from all the options.

get expert advice on what it takes to make a winning application and deliver a knock-out interview.

#### <u>Year 13</u>

# GTR

We're the biggest train operating company in the UK. Our people choose to work here because of what we can offer you and your career. We're investing in our people, ensuring that they have market leading skills. We're working closely with our **communities** to ensure that we're having a positive impact on the world around us. We run trains every day of the year and we need a great team to make that happen.

# **Engineering Apprenticeships**

Our four-year engineering apprenticeship is a great chance to learn on the job, earning a real salary while you do (**click here** for key benefits). You'll gain a nationally recognised qualification with great career prospects. In the depot, you'll learn a wide range of mechanical, electrical and electronic skills. You'll learn fault-finding, testing, maintenance and repair, all backed-up by college study to make sure that everything makes sense.

# What we look for:

We're not looking for previous knowledge or experience of engineering or the railway – just **commitment, enthusiasm** and **a willingness to learn**. To apply for an Advanced Apprenticeship, you will however need to:

- hold or expect to get grade 4 or above in GCSE Maths, English and Science (or equivalent)
- demonstrate strong communication skills and practical maths ability
- have an interest in how things work
- be able to travel to East Surrey College for study and to various locations on our network for work
- pass the required medical standards

GTR is committed to equal opportunities and welcomes applications from all suitably qualified candidates who are eligible to work in the UK. see our apprenticeship **page** for more info.

Find out more and apply

Morrisons offer a number of apprenticeships including Degree apprenticeships.

Go to <u>https://www.morrisons.jobs/early-careers</u> for more details.





## CLICK HERE TO APPLY

Having an Apprenticeship at Pfizer means doing work that helps millions of people across the world benefit from life-changing treatment. It means working for a company that believes in equity, excellence and protecting your work-life balance. And it means working with colleagues who take your ideas seriously and support your learning and development.

If you want an Apprenticeship that matters, you'll find it at Pfizer.



**The** National Apprenticeship Service has teamed up with UCAS during National Apprenticeship Week to bring you all of the information you need to make an informed decision.

During **National Apprenticeship Week (8-14 February)** there will be live events and discussion about the merits of apprenticeships and how they can be a true alternative to traditional full-time University.

Discover Apprenticeship week

# What is National Apprenticeship Week?

For the very first time, National Apprenticeship Week (Monday 8 February to Sunday 14 February 2021) is entirely based in a digital world. From <u>virtual career fairs</u> through to factory tours, the Week has something for everyone.



There will be personal stories from apprentices and employers about their own journeys and experiences and why apprenticeships help to **#BuildTheFuture**.





#### **Apprenticeships and University**

Higher and Degree apprenticeships provide an alternative to following the traditional route of going to university as a full-time student. They offer all the benefits of higher education with none of the cost and an apprentice will earn while they learn, getting paid a competitive salary from day one.

#### Find out more

#### Why choose an apprenticeship?

As well as not having the cost associated with university there are many other benefits to becoming an apprentice:

- Choose from hundreds of different apprentice jobs in thousands of organisations
- A great way to get back into the workplace after a career break, or to re-train in a new area
  - Get a boost to future earnings potential
- Develop the skills needed for a range of exciting jobs or careers, no matter their age or background

#### Where can I find out more?

As well as all of the events and information available during the week, we have a dedicated resource site for parents and advisors that is available all year round.

<u>Amazing Apprenticeships</u> is the home to a range of information, lessons plans, activities and resources.



To check out what vacancies are available, head on over to <u>Find an</u> <u>Apprenticeship.</u>

Make sure you check out our social media pages below to find out about all of the amazing things that are happening during **#NAW2021** and how to get involved.