# Step Into... your career



October 2023

## Where to find careers info!

Next steps after GC.....never miss a thing!

- This newsletter
- The Careers Noticeboard Live! On Moodle
- Student Announcements on Teams
- Noticeboards around college
- Instagram

Careers Noticeboard: LIVE!

- College websites & social media
- Tutorials and posts from your tutor







 The Careers staff and library are usually available 5 days a week, from 8.30am

# How to book an appointment

You can do this via the green 'book a careers appointment' button on moodle

Find a slot that fits with your timetable and fill in the booking details.

Also in this issue:

- Save the date
- Stands in the Hall: who is visiting college this month?
- Bitesize careers workshops
- Manchester Met. Degree Apprenticeship open evening
- Career of the Month
- Job search info

#### Thursday 5 October – A2 students only

Personal Statement drop-in session with Lincoln University. From 10.00am

**Thursday 12 October,** Lunchtime on Teams and shown in the Careers Library:

**All Students –** you must be studying maths & 1 other STEM subject to be eligible for their opportunities

Step into the Dyson Institute of Engineering & Technology, insight session.



Extra appointments available on this day. Sign up in the Careers Library

26 & 27 October and 6 & 7 November

Careers appointments will be via TEAMS or Telephone only.

## Stands in the Hall: Thursday lunch



Ask questions, pick up a prospectus and seek advice!

## Thursday 5 October

Lincoln University, Harper Adams, University Centre Leeds, York University

## Thursday 12 October

Teeside University, Leeds College of Music, Nottingham University, Newcastle University, Bimm Institute (Music)

## Thursday 19 October – Believe & Achieve Fair

#### **IBM Apprenticeship Webinar with Success at School**

Are you looking to solve some of the world's biggest problems ranging from Artificial Intelligence, to sustainability and data science? If so, you won't want to miss out on this free and interactive insight webinar with IBM. Take part in a Live Q&A session with the recruitment team, go through each step of the application process, and speak directly to current apprentices to learn about life as an IBMer.

On: 17th October 2023 at 6.30 - 7.30 pm Book your place today

This is NOT a college organised event



## **Bitesize Careers Workshops**

These sessions are designed to explore commonly asked career related questions. They are an opportunity for you to reflect and ask questions that will help you confidently move forward after your A Level studies.

- The sessions will be restricted to 8 participants each which will enable a more informal and relaxed discussion.
- As they are bitesize, we are aiming for each session to last a maximum of 20 minutes.
- If the sessions prove popular, we will run more sessions!
- Please sign up in the Careers Library

Monday 2 – Friday 6 October			
Monday	1.35pm	Period 4	Career trajectories – Life isn't one straight path
Tuesday	11.25am	Period 3	Think your grades might be too low
Wednesday	LUNCHTIME		How to use resources effectively
Thursday	9.55am	Period 2	Apprenticeships – where to start!
Friday	12.05pm	Period 4	Decision making tips
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Monday 9 – Friday 13 October			
Monday	11.25am	Period 3	Apprenticeships – where to start!
Tuesday	9.15am	Period 1	Career trajectories – Life isn't one straight path
Wednesday	11.25am	Period 3	Decision making tips
Wednesday	LUNCHTIME		How to use resources effectively
Friday	1.55pm	Period 5	Think your grades might be too low
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Thursday			
Friday			

## **Degree Apprenticeship Open Evening**

Manchester Metropolitan University is a leading university provider of <a href="Degree-Apprenticeships">Degree-Apprenticeships</a>\*, offering students the opportunity to earn while they learn. Attend our Open Evening on Thursday 23 November from 4:30 - 7:30pm to hear more about our programmes, speak to employers and meet some of our current degree apprentices.

## **Local University Open Days**

Many universities are opening their doors for autumnal open days. A1 students, this is a good opportunity to start your research. A2 students, this is an ideal opportunity to revisit or visit for the first time before submitting your application. Universities often ask you to book, so check their websites for details.

Bradford University: 7 October 2023 Hull University: 7 & 28 October 2023 Leeds Beckett: 7 & 28 October 2023 Manchester University: 14 October 2023 Sheffield University: 21 Oct & 18 Nov 2023 York University: Dates for 2024 available soon **Huddersfield University**: 18 Oct & 18 Nov 2023 **Leeds Arts University**: 21 Oct & 11 Nov 2023

Leeds University: 14 October 2023

Manchester Met.: 14 & 21 October 2023

Sheffield Hallam: 8 October 2023

York St John: 14 Oct & 18 November 2023

Success at School's University Guide sponsored by Liverpool John Morres University

### FREE DIGITAL GUIDE

#### **Northern University London: Essay Competition**



A1 Students Could you write an essay that wins £1000?

The Northeastern University London 2024 Essay Competition is now open! This popular and prestigious essay competition is an opportunity for students to be inspired and explore their academic potential and subject passion.

We are inviting essay entries from talented and intellectually curious students around the world, <u>Our selection of essay titles</u> engages across a

contemporary range of subjects and questions. See subjects and essay titles.

#### The following prizes will be awarded:

Overall winner across all essay subjects - £1000 Runner up in a subject category - £250

Winner in a subject category - £500

Students must <u>register to enter the competition</u>. The deadline for essays to be submitted is 13:00 GMT Sunday 31 December 2024

## **CAREER OF THE MONTH**

#### **Earth Observation Scientist**

https://spacecareers.uk/articles/66a48ebf-6a9e-4238-8d82-37bfdf2e49a0 Average salary (per annum) £31,000 – £54,000 depending on experience Typical hours (per week): Flexibility is essential

#### What is an Earth Observation Scientist?

You will be using data gathered from satellites and aircraft to determine changes and our effect on the planet. This role is crucial for environmental studies and uses a variety of scientific techniques to gain the data required.

Information collated by earth observation scientists are pivotal in monitoring and responding to natural disasters.

#### What you will be doing in this role?

- Processing raw data to be used for computer modelling.
- Creating computer models to gain insights.
- Use GIS software to make maps and infographics from raw data.
- Writing proposals to apply for satellite time.
- There is no definitive job description, much depends on the field of research you are participating in.

#### Where will you be working?

Opportunities for Earth observation scientists are increasing. Private companies, government & non-governmental organisations that monitor global development, disaster response, research, universities and space agencies.

Short-term contacts are common, this is still an area that relies heavily on government funding.

### What to do to get into this career

2-3 A Levels leading to a relevant degree course

Foundation or Bachelors degree in physics, computing, planetary science. A degree that specialises in GIS or geoinformation

A Master's degree that directly offers Earth Observation Science options

## Job search information

Check out some useful resources on:

Government apprenticeship search site <a href="https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship">https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship</a>
Amazing Apprenticeships <a href="https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/">https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/</a>
Rate My Apprenticeship <a href="https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/">https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/</a>



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

#### 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. Workshops will be held in the Careers Library at the end of November.
- > Send out or hand out your CV speculatively to local employers.
- > Look out for seasonal work in shops, cafes, pubs and restaurants for example.
- Vacancies often advertised on social media.
- > Create a profile on job search sites. We have information about applying for jobs in the Careers Library.
- Ask friends and family it is often who you know!
- ➤ We highlight local & national vacancies/apprenticeships and advertise on Teams Announcements and the Careers Noticeboard Live! On Moodle. Make sure you are checking these regularly

## Here are some apprenticeship vacancies we advertised recently. **Did you see them?**

#### Morrisons Supermarket. Finance App.

https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000197077

#### Morrisons Supermarket. Manufacturing App.

https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000197087

SmoothWall, Leeds, Software developer: <a href="https://bitly.ws/WqnG">https://bitly.ws/WqnG</a>

Mace - <a href="https://careers.macegroup.com/gb/en/emerging-talent">https://careers.macegroup.com/gb/en/emerging-talent</a>

**Deloitte** <a href="https://bitly.ws/Wqoa">https://bitly.ws/Wqoa</a> AND PWC <a href="https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/early-careers.html">https://bitly.ws/Wqoa</a>