

CAREERS BULLETIN

“Work to become, not to acquire”: Elbert Hubbard

2024/25 Careers Bulletin No: 2

Welcome to the latest Careers Bulletin, we hope this gives you up-to-date and useful information on careers and careers related learning.

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I) CAREERS SUPPORT IN SCHOOL

Unifrog Careers Platform

All students should have access to the “Unifrog” platform. This contains a wealth of information about all careers pathways and post 16 or 18 options. Students can record their skills and create a CV, access free online courses and compile careers “shortlists” for ideas for their future. Year 10 and 12 also use the placement tool to log Work Experience placements.

<https://www.unifrog.org/sign-in>

For all students their username will be their **school email address** and there is a ‘forgotten your password’ link for those who need this re-setting. Any issues with logging in please email Mrs K Fenlon at kfenlon@chewvalleyschool.co.uk

Unifrog Webinars

[Unifrog - The complete destinations platform.](#)

- 2 Dec 4.30pm Choosing GCSE subjects
- 2 Dec 5.30pm Choosing Post-16 options
- 3 Dec 5.30pm Parents/Carers – how to support your student with Post-16 options

Unifrog Course: An Intro to Offshore Wind

Years 10 and 11 [An introduction to offshore wind \(beginner level\) : Courses \(unifrog.org\)](#)

Years 12 and 13 <https://www.unifrog.org/teacher/search?search=offshore+wind#>

Further Resources for Researching Careers

Matching interests and skills to careers/options

- Prospects Planner Careers Quiz (Years 11-13) [Career Planner | What job should I do? | Prospects.ac.uk](#)
- Unifrog ‘Interests Profile’, ‘Subjects Profile’ and the new ‘Workplace Profile’ Quiz

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Matching school subjects to careers/options

- **CareerWave** lists websites which relate certain school subjects to future jobs. <https://www.careerwave.co.uk/useful-career-resources-by-subject-area/>
- **Careerpilot** offers a comprehensive list of careers information and tools for 11-19 year olds. It is also a useful source of apprenticeships in the local area too. <https://careerpilot.org.uk>
This Site also has some home learning activities you might be interested in. <https://careerpilot.org.uk/adviser-zone/home-learning-activities-students>
- **UCAS Buzz Quiz (for Years 7-10)**) <https://www.ucas.com/careers/buzz-quiz>
- **Where could your favourite subject take you?** [BBC Bitesize](#)

Parents' Guide to Talking to Your Child about Careers

- **A parents' toolkit for career conversations** <https://www.talkingfutures.org.uk/>

Mrs Farr can be contacted to make a careers appointment, to book an appointment please email: jfarr@chewvalleyschool.co.uk

2) PHYSICAL & VIRTUAL EVENTS

Careers In Healthcare (Weston College)

[Healthcare Academy | Weston College](#)

27 Nov 4pm-5pm Challenging Behaviour and How We Respond

Learn about careers in healthcare through case studies of patients with a variety of disorders.

Careers in Accountancy (ACCA)

[Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

4 Dec 6.30pm-7.15pm Online

Careers in Vet Science

[Pre-16 activities | Faculty of Health and Life Sciences | University of Bristol](#)

29 Mar Langford Vet Campus Years 10-12. [Apply Expression of Interest: Venture into Vet](#)

College Open Days

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College (SGS)

[Latest College Open Days & Shows \(sgscol.ac.uk\)](#)

23 Nov Open Day 11am-1pm All campuses

City of Bristol College

[Events | City of Bristol College](#)

21 Nov Open Evening 5.30pm – 7.30pm All campuses

Weston College

[T Level Information Webinar Evening | Weston College](#)

5 Dec T Level Info Session 6pm-6.45pm Online. [Link to book](#)

15 Jan Open Eve 5pm-7pm All campuses

Book a Campus Tour at [BOOK A CAMPUS TOUR WITH SCHOOL LIAISON TEAM | Weston College](#)

Bridgwater and Taunton College

[Events Archive - Bridgwater & Taunton College \(btc.ac.uk\)](#)

15 Jan Open Eve 6pm-8pm Bridgewater Campus

25 Jan Open Day 10am-1pm Cannington Campus

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Bath College

[Open Events 2024-25 | Bath College](#)

23 Nov Open Day

10am-1pm

Bath City Centre

Hartpury College (Equine, Sport and Public Services)

[Open Days | Hartpury College](#)

8 Feb and 15 March – Open days, book online

Bristol City Robins Foundation (Sport, Media, Esports) Education

[Bristol City FC \(bcfc.co.uk\)](#)

5 Feb Open Day

6.30pm

All campuses

Boomsatsuma (Media, Photography, Film/TV, Games/VR/VFX)

[College Open Days](#)

3-5 Dec Open Days

Contact via link for details

Access Creative College (Games, Music, Media)

[Events - Access Creative](#)

10 Dec

Open Day

6pm-7.30pm

Broadmead

Bristol School of Acting / Dance

[Acting | Bristol School of Acting | Bristol, England](#)

Sign in to find open day details

University Information and Events

Unifrog University Subject Tasters

[Unifrog - The complete destinations platform](#)

- 20 Nov 4.30pm Biological Sciences
- 20 Nov 5.30pm Data Science
- 21 Nov 5.30pm Social Anthropology
- 25 Nov 4.30pm Criminology
- 25 Nov 5.30pm Media Studies

Subject Taster Lectures (University of Sheffield)

[Subject tasters | Undergraduate study | The University of Sheffield](#)

Online or on-campus taster sessions in a variety of subjects

STEM Up! Bristol University

[STEM Up | Study at Bristol | University of Bristol](#)

Year 12. Four virtual sessions Tue 5-6:30pm in Jan/Feb. Criteria applies. **Deadline 24 Nov**

Creative Industries (Bristol University)

[Creative Industries Unlocked | Study at Bristol | University of Bristol](#)

Year 12. Criteria applies. **Deadline 17 Dec.**

Subject-Related Courses at York University (online)

[Free online courses - Study at York, University of York](#)

Film-making, Physics, Bioeconomy, AI, English, Archaeology, Philosophy, Sociology, Psychology, Nursing, Chemistry, Biology, Law, Engineering, Art History.

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University Open Days and Taster Days

[Search the Opensdays.com calendar of university and college open days](#) - search for an open day University Taster Courses | UCAS

- 23 Nov** Staffordshire, Chichester, Derby, Anglia Ruskin, Huddersfield, Sheffield, Aston, Bangor, City (University of London), Edge Hill, Falmouth, Hartpury, Leeds Trinity, Manchester Met, Brighton, Cumbria, East Anglia, Greenwich, Hertfordshire, Westminster, Wrexham
- 24 Nov** Sheffield Hallam, Birmingham City 27 Nov Southampton, Plymouth Marjon
- 30 Nov** Coventry, Staffordshire, Northampton, Nottingham Trent, Leeds Beckett, South Wales, Bath Spa, Rose Bruford, Solent, Central Lancashire
- 4 Dec** Staffordshire, Liverpool Hope, Bangor, Bournemouth, Keele, Sheffield Hallam, Greenwich, Leicester, Westminster, Birmingham City (5th), Portsmouth (7th)

In-Person Subject Specific Taster Days ([Oxford Brookes University](#))

Oxford Brookes Taster Days 2025:

15 Feb Open Day 10am-15.30pm [Book here](#)

Oxbridge Information/Support

[The Oxbridge Launchpad](#) | [Mobilising the next generation of students](#)

Study Abroad (as a UK Student)

[Studying abroad: Consider your options](#) | Undergraduate | UCAS

Free Courses for Applying to Competitive Subjects

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| Medicine | https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-to-medicine |
| Oxbridge | https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-for-oxbridge |
| Law | https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-for-law |
| Dentistry | https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-to-dentistry |
| Vet | https://courses.studymind.co.uk/courses/applying-for-veterinary-science |

Online Degrees

<https://www.distancelearningportal.com/>

Choosing University Courses

- UCAS course search: [What and where to study at a University, College or Conservatoire \(ucas.com\)](#)
- Discover Uni website for stats and other info: Home - [Discover Uni](#)
- League Tables: [University Rankings and League Tables 2023](#)

Gap Years

- [Independent Gap Advice](#) | [Independent Gap Year Advice For Young People](#)
- Database of approved gap year organisations
- Work Experience | [Operation Wallacea](#)
- [IBM Careers](#) - School Leaver - United Kingdom - Futures 10 month placement scheme.
- [Camp America® USA Summer Jobs in America Since 1969](#)
- [Lonely Planet | Travel Guides & Travel Information - Lonely Planet](#)
- [Gap Year Ideas - What To Do In Your Gap Year | UCAS](#)
- [Gap year | Prospects.ac.uk](#)

Gap Year Industry Placements

[Placements \(age 17 & over\) | EDT \(etrust.org.uk\)](#)

Placements for Year 13 leavers with STEM companies. The placements last 12 months and are paid.

3) APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeship Events

Apprenticeships in Construction (On-Site)

[On Site Bristol](#)

26 Nov 5pm-7.30pm Create Centre, Bristol

Local Level 4 - Level 6 (Higher, Degree) Apprenticeship Vacancies

Find an apprenticeship - (www.gov.uk)

Apprenticeship jobs - (www.ucas.com)

- Tax, Audit, Consulting at KPMG Vacancies (www.kpmgcareers.co.uk)
- Sales and Consulting, Mercer Marsh Careers (www.myworkdayjobs.com)

Degree and Higher Apprenticeship

[National Vacancy Listing Oct 24 Higher and Degree Vacancy Listing for 2023/24 Recruitment](#)

- Evelyn Partners. Audit ; Business Outsourcing; Business Tax: Closes when positions are filled
- Journalism at BBC. **Closes 28/11**
- Broadcast Engineering at BBC. **Closes 28/11**
- Engineering / Digital Tech at DE&S. **Closes 21/12**
- Solicitor Apprenticeship at DWF Law. **Closes 23/12**
- Project Manager / Environmental Manager / Building Services Engineering / Civil Engineering at Mott Macdonald. **Closes 31/12**
- Software Development / Automation Management at Amazon UK. **Closes 31/1**
- Project Controller / Quantity Surveyor at Tetra Tech. **Closes 21/2**
- Aerospace Engineering at GKN. **Closes 21/1**
- Solicitor Apprenticeship at DWF. **Closes 6/1**
- Business Analyst at Thales. **Closes 16/2**
- Supply Chain / Project Management / Engineering / Non Destructive Testing at Rolls Royce. **Closes 21/2**
- Aerospace Engineering at GKN. **Closes 21/2**
- Network Engineering at Vodaphone. **Closes 28/2**
- Engineering at BAE Systems. **Closes 28/2**
- Project Management / Quality Technician at Babcock. **Closes 20/3**
- Civil Engineering at WSP. **Closes 31/3**
- RAF Air Traffic and Weapons Controller / Air Operations (Level 5). **Closes 1/8**
- RAF Intelligence Analyst (Level 4). **Closes 31/8**

Local Level 2/3 Apprenticeship Vacancies

Find an apprenticeship - (www.gov.uk)

- Legal Apprenticeship at Burges Salmon. **Closes 24/11**
- Manufacturing at GE Aerospace. **Closes 24/11**
- Broadcast Technical Operator at BBC. **Closes 28/11**
- Building Services Engineering / Civil Engineering at Mott Macdonald. **Closes 31/12**
- Engineering at Amazon. **Closes 31/1**
- Production / Maintenance / Tech Support at GKN. **Closes 21/2**
- Electrical Engineer at Yunex. **Closes 21/2**
- Business Support / Technical Support at BAE Systems. **Closes 28/2**
- Welding at Babcock. **Closes 20/3**
- Firefighter at RAF **Closes 31/8**
- Sports and Training Instructor at RAF **Closes 31/8**
- Air and Ground Steward at RAF **Closes 31/8**

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Apprenticeship Guides

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| General | Interactive Student Apprenticeship Guide - Amazing Apprenticeships |
| Government | Apprenticeships Civil Service Careers (civil-service-careers.gov.uk) |
| Hinkley Point C | Young HPC Hinkley Point C EDF (edfenergy.com) |
| NHS | Apprenticeships - University Hospitals Bristol and Weston (uhbwcareers.nhs.uk) |

Apprenticeship Search

Searching for Vacancies

- [Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Apprenticeships & School Leaver Jobs | AllAboutSchoolLeavers](#)
- [Apprenticeship jobs \(ucas.com\)](#)
- [Apprenticeships | Weston College](#)
- [Apprenticeship Information For Students - City of Bristol College](#)

4) PHYSICAL & VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE

In Person Work Experience

Careers in Engineering (OurTide)

[Workshops](#) - 23 Nov 9am-4pm Years 10-13. Clevedon Sailing Club
Covers topics related to mechanical, electrical and environmental engineering.

Careers in Law (Burgess Salmon)

Burgess Salmon Careers | Bright Sparks Bristol - March 2025 ([burgess-salmon.com](#))
17-21 Mar Years 10-12 Bristol **Closes 1 Jan**

Burgess Salmon Careers | Bright Sparks Bristol - July 2025 ([burgess-salmon.com](#))
7-11 July, 14-18 July Years 10-12 Bristol **Closes 3 Feb**

Information days on 11 March (Y10/11) and 13 March (Y12/13). **Register by 1 Jan** at:
GCSE: Burgess Salmon Careers | School Student Information Day 2025 (GCSE) ([burgess-salmon.com](#))
A Level: Burgess Salmon Careers | School Student Information Day 2025 (A Level) ([burgess-salmon.com](#))

Retail and Online Research (Barnardo's)

Barnardo's charity shop in Nailsea needs volunteers aged 14+. Hours flexible. Retail and Online Research roles, To apply: Retail: Retail Volunteer (Nailsea) | [Barnardo's Volunteering \(barnardos.org.uk\)](#)
Online Research: Online Research Volunteer - Retail Store Based (Nailsea) | [Barnardo's Volunteering \(barnardos.org.uk\)](#)

Virtual Work Experience (Live and Interactive)

Various Careers – Springpod Virtual Work Experience

Insurance - Insurance Careers Work Experience ([springpod.com](#))
Hospitality - Culinary Innovation Exploration Virtual Work Experience with Pret ([springpod.com](#))
Law - Legal Realities Unveiled: Virtual Law Careers with TLT and [Springpod](#)
HR - HR Career Insights: Virtual Work Experience with CIPD and [Springpod](#)
Tech - Technology Work Experience ([springpod.com](#))
Engineering - Aerospace Work Experience | [Springpod](#)

Experiences Involving No Cost

Careers in Genomics, Science and Data (Welcome)

[Genomics, Science and Data Careers with Welcome Genome Campus \(springpod.com\)](#)

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Careers in Transport and Logistics (Civil Aviation Authority)

[Lift Off - with the Civil Aviation Authority \(springpod.com\)](http://springpod.com)

Careers in Air Travel (British Airways)

[British Airways - Connectr](#)

Hybrid work experience scheme covering engineering, business and airport operations.

Careers in Quantity Surveying (RISC)

[RICS student learning portal - Connectr](#)

Free training modules and mentoring over a secure network

Experiences Involving A Cost

Careers in Allied Health Professions (NHS)

Live Virtual NHS Healthcare Careers Work Experience Programme - Allied Healthcare Mentor (alliedhealthmentor.org)

I Dec Paediatric Pathway **Cost £10**

Careers in Healthcare (University of Birmingham)

Live Virtual NHS Healthcare Careers Work Experience Programme - Allied Healthcare Mentor (alliedhealthmentor.org) Live Interactive one day work experience. **Various dates.** Suitable for Year 10-13.

£10 per day.

Non Interactive Virtual Work Experience

Springpod Virtual Work Experience

- [Weather Forecasting Met Office Careers \(springpod.com\)](#)
- [Innovation Vodafone Innovators \(springpod.com\)](#)
- [Social Media Marketing Social Media Marketing Virtual Work Experience \(springpod.com\)](#)
- [Finance 'Work Insights' – Your window into work with Coventry Building Society \(springpod.com\)](#)
- [Technology Technology Work Experience with Springpod](#)
- [Optics and Audiology Bright Futures: Optics and Audiology Careers at Specsavers \(springpod.com\)](#)

Various Careers

- [BBC iPlayer - All in a Days Work](#)
Forensics, Nursing, Police, Vet Science, Paramedic Science, Events Planning, HGV driving, Midwifery.
- <https://www.theforage.com/>
Law, Consulting, Technology, Finance and Marketing
- [Vodafone Innovators \(springpod.com\) Technology Work Experience \(springpod.com\)](#)
Technology
- <https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/careers-advice-help/choices/online-skills-and-careers-courses/>
Free online skills and careers courses

[Springpod Virtual Work Experience Search | Springpod](#)

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- **Retail**

McDonalds <https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/work-experience.html>
John Lewis John Lewis Partnership - [Virtual Work Experience \(getmyfirstjob.co.uk\)](https://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/virtual-work-experience)

- **Careers in Architecture and Design**

[Halliday Fraser Munro - Work Experience Zone \(hfm.co.uk\)](https://www.hfm.co.uk/work-experience-zone)

- **Careers in Film/TV**

[Getting into the screen industries - ScreenSkills](https://www.screen-skills.com/)

Five e-learning modules designed to support those looking to work in the screen industries.
[4Skills Work Experience](https://www.channel4.com/4skills) Channel 4's work experience programme

- **Law (Hogan Lovells' Law)**

[Hogan Lovells UK First Steps to Law - Forage \(theforage.com\)](https://www.theforage.com/)

- **Allied Health Professions**

Non doctor/nurse roles in the nHS; includes Physiotherapist, Dietitian, Therapists, Radiographer etc.
[Routes into AHP Careers \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/routes-into-ahp-careers)
These roles play a vital part in treating, rehabilitating and improving the lives of patients.

- **Virtual Tours Around Various Businesses**

<https://www.icanbea.org.uk/virtual-tours/>

- **Engineering (EDF)**

<https://careers.startprofile.com/page/hpc-virtualworkexperience>

Take a brief from the EDF team and come up with a response to real project issues.

- **Finance (PWC)**

[PwC's Virtual Classroom | Early Careers | PwC UK Careers PwC](https://www.pwc.co.uk/virtual-classroom)

Virtual Classroom for Years 10 and 13. Combines both live and pre-recorded sessions.

- **Digital Media**

[Virtual Work Experience tool | Barclays LifeSkills](https://www.springpod.com/virtual-work-experience)

[Social Media Marketing Social Media Marketing Virtual Work Experience \(springpod.com\)](https://www.springpod.com/social-media-marketing-virtual-work-experience)

- **Medicine**

Brighton and Sussex Medical School [Brighton and Sussex Medical School \(thinkific.com\)](https://www.thinkific.com/brighton-and-sussex-medical-school)

Role of a GP [Observe GP \(rcgp.org.uk\)](https://www.rcgp.org.uk/observe-gp)

[Medic Mentor Work Experience - Palliative Care - WEX Library \(yourmedicfamily.org\)](https://www.yourmedicfamily.org/mentor-work-experience-palliative-care)

[Dentistry Dental Mentor Work Experience - New Patients - WEX Library \(yourmedicfamily.org\)](https://www.yourmedicfamily.org/dentistry-dental-mentor-work-experience-new-patients)

- **Dentistry Dental**

Mentor Work Experience - New Patients - WEX Library (www.yourmedicfamily.org)

5) RESEARCHING JOB SECTORS

Self-Employment, Enterprise and Entrepreneurship

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/starting-a-business-1>

Psychology

Educational Psychology: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_NmIRMGac28

Creative Industries

<https://discovercreative.careers/#/> courses, competitions and activities around the creative sector.

<https://getintotheatre.org/blog/what-does-an-actor-musician-do>

<https://www.socialdistancingfestival.com/>

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Social Care

<https://sfca.re/2Veuu3X>

Information and resources to investigate social care as a career choice.

Healthcare

<https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles>

<https://www.stepintothenhs.nhs.uk/>

<https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/FindYourCareer>

Work Experience:

https://www.ruh.nhs.uk/careers/work_experience.asp?menu_id=5d

Careers Resources Page:

https://www.ruh.nhs.uk/careers/careers_resources.asp?menu_id=5d

Nursing careers

<https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/we-are-the-nhs/nursing-careers>

Construction/Engineering

<https://www.goconstruct.org/learn-about-construction/find-the-role-for-you/ultimate-quiz/>

<https://mailchi.mp/successatschool/careers-in-engineering-your-complete-guide-1277051>

6) BURSARIES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

General Information on scholarships

<https://www.thescholarshipub.org.uk/>

[Sixth Form Bursary and Learner Support Fund 2024/25](#) – application details and forms. Open for students in Year 12 and 13. Please return completed paperwork to the Sixth Form office.

7) INDIVIDUAL GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT

For advice, guidance on career choices, options and applications please email Mrs Julie Farr at

jfarr@chewvalleyschool.co.uk

Year 10 Work Experience

Any queries please email Mrs Fenlon kfenlon@chewvalleyschool.co.uk. Mrs Fenlon is in the Careers Office on Wednesdays during Tutor Time and morning break.

- WEX week is June 16 June – 20 June
- Placements need to be logged using the Placement tool on Unifrog
- Deadline Friday 14 February