

## APPRENTICESHIP INFORMATION SESSION

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September  
5.30pm - 6.30pm



Learning Curve would like to invite you to a **FREE** one hour apprenticeship information session which will cover:

- How to find an apprenticeship
- Progression routes available
- What employers look for during the recruitment process
- How to prepare and what to expect and hear about an apprentice's real life experience

To receive the session link to your inbox sign up with this link:

**[Apprenticeship information session](#)**

Even better by signing up you will be put into our prize draw and could win £30 High Street gift vouchers.

We look forward to you joining us!



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# VIRTUAL OPEN WEEK

SUBJECT AREA:	DATE:	TIME:
Apprenticeships & Traineeships	Monday 12th October	18:00 – 18:15
Learning For Life, Foundation Learning & Thornton College	Monday 12th October	18:25 – 18:40
Childcare, Teaching & Educational Development	Monday 12th October	18:50 – 19:05
Health, Social Care & Nursing	Monday 12th October	19:15 – 19:30
Travel & The Visitor Economy	Monday 12th October	19:40 – 19:55
Engineering, Energy & Advanced Manufacturing	Monday 12th October	20:05 – 20:20
Hairdressing, Beauty & Media Make Up	Tuesday 13th October	18:00 – 18:15
14-16 College	Tuesday 13th October	18:25 – 18:40
Business, Law & Administration	Tuesday 13th October	18:50 – 19:05
Construction Crafts & Professional Construction	Tuesday 13th October	19:15 – 19:30
Art, Design, Fashion, Textiles & Creative Media	Tuesday 13th October	19:40 – 19:55
Motor Vehicle & Motor Cycle	Tuesday 13th October	20:05 – 20:20
A-Levels	Wednesday 14th October	18:00 – 18:15
Sport, Exercise, Fitness & Public Services	Wednesday 14th October	18:25 – 18:40
Hospitality & Catering (L20 Hotel School) & Floral Design	Wednesday 14th October	18:50 – 19:05
Digital Technologies	Wednesday 14th October	19:15 – 19:30
English, Maths, Science & English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)	Wednesday 14th October	19:40 – 19:55
T-Levels	Wednesday 14th October	20:05 – 20:20
Hugh Baird University Centre - Degree & Access courses	Thursday 15th October	18:00 – 20:00

Register your place via [www.hughbaird.ac.uk/register](http://www.hughbaird.ac.uk/register)



This is just a quick email to remind you about our upcoming **UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair** on Wednesday 11th November from 12:00-18:00. The event is free, it will feature over 90 universities, colleges and apprenticeship providers, and it's open to students in Year 13, 12 and 11.

For more information about the event, please see the email below, or [click here to open it in your browser](#). You will need to register yourselves for the event, so please visit <https://ukunisearch-north.vfairs.com/>.

You can also view all of our autumn term activities here: <https://www.ukuniversitysearch.com/blog/post/autumn-activities>



## Russell Group Virtual Event

Join us in October for Meet the Russell Group, a free virtual event in association with UK University Search. This interactive experience will allow you to explore all 24 Russell Group universities and speak directly with their representatives and ambassadors, and take part in 12 live webinars led by Russell Group universities.

Taking place just before the October UCAS deadline for Oxford and Cambridge, medicine, dentistry and veterinary science courses, it will provide vital application support to Year 13s, and will help those working towards the January 2021 deadline. The event is also perfect for inspiring years 12s and 11s as they consider their post-18 options.

For more information and to register for the event:

[Russell Group Virtual Event](#) - Wednesday 7th October - 12:00-18:00

With the October early application deadline for UCAS fast approaching, we're excited to announce two free pre-event webinars with the Russell Group Universities to give students support with their applications. Register for the events by simply clicking on the links below and entering your details.

[Applying to Oxford and Cambridge](#) - Wednesday 23rd  
September - 12:00

Our Oxford and Cambridge webinar is a great way to find out more about applications, including entry requirements, wider reading, interviews, and tests, along with life at university. This will be followed by a short Q&A session with the panellists.

[Applying for Russell Group Universities](#) - Wednesday 30th  
September - 12:00

Our Russell Group webinar will cover the challenges faced by students applying to selective Russell Group Universities and application guidance, followed by a Q&A session.

Both webinars will also be live-streamed onto our [YouTube Channel](#).



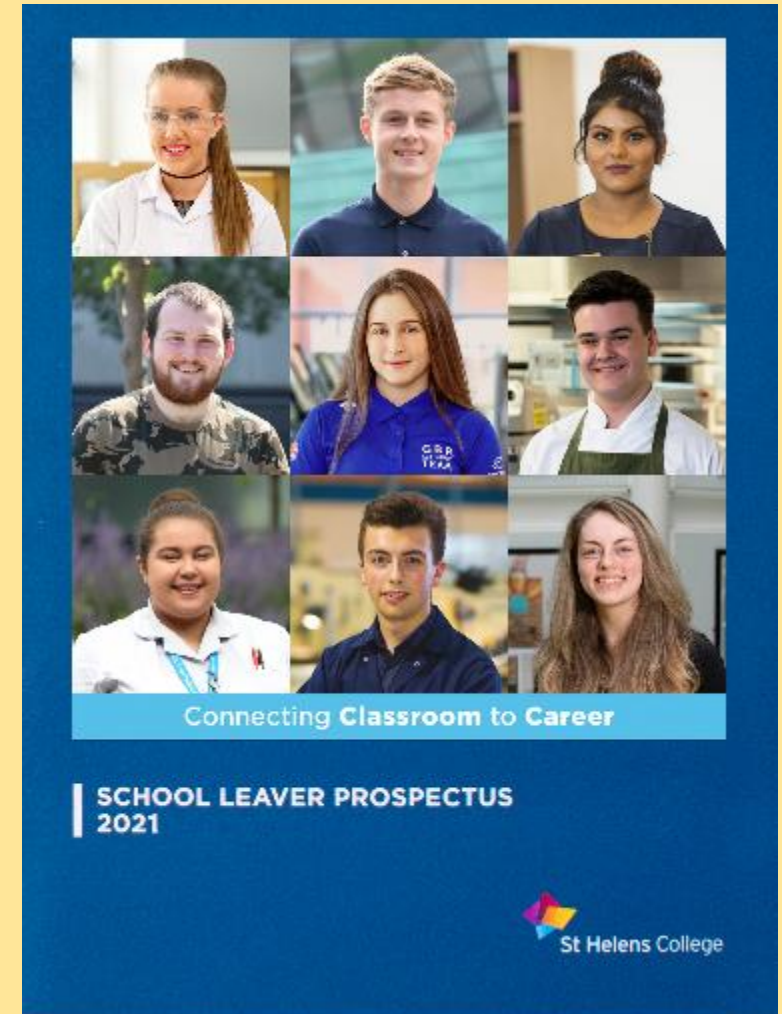
Please find attached two links that provide really interesting information about Cyber employment opportunities for those leaving school in 2021. This is a project run by CyberFirst which has been set up by the National Cyber Security Centre which is part of GCHQ. Applications are open for students to apply for either a University bursary or a Degree Apprenticeship and they are looking for students who have a passion for any type of technology who could suit a variety of roles and with a view to full time employment.

<https://gchq-careers.co.uk/cyberfirst/>

St Helen's College have launched their new 2021 School Leaver Prospectus. Please see the link below -

[www.sthelens.ac.uk/prospectus](http://www.sthelens.ac.uk/prospectus)

Printed copies will also be available shortly (within the next few weeks).





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Early Careers programmes are one of the very best ways of attracting new diverse and committed people to the bank and equipping them with the skills they need to succeed.

- **Work experience programme:** The programme offers a five-day shadowing experience to students in the later years of full-time secondary education, sixth form or college. The programme was set up with the idea to help young people gain an insight into a professional environment, as well as the banking industry. All Work Experience opportunities will be available through June, July and August 2021, the applications will go live in November this year.
- **Foundation Apprenticeship programme:** Since 2011, HSBC have recruited over 1000 new to bank apprentices. The programme provides an opportunity to people for a rewarding career with HSBC. The Foundation level 3 apprenticeship is typically for junior roles and for people taking their first step in to the banking industry. The programme runs for a duration of approximately 18 months. This programme has provided HSBC with a diverse and committed workforce who driven to succeed.
- **Degree Apprenticeship programme:** In 2019, HSBC recruited the first cohort of Degree Apprentices. The programme is designed to be an alternative route to the world of work and attaining a degree. The programme is aimed at people who have completed further education, who wish to learn as they work. The programme is 4 years in duration, rotating every 12 months into a new role, whilst studying their degree. To help them achieve this, they are allocated one day a week to study.





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### Who can apply?

This programme is aimed at those in the later years of full-time secondary, sixth form or college education who are keen to get an introduction to what a career in banking and financial services may be like.

The Work Experience placement takes place throughout June, July and August yearly. Specific details regarding each opportunity are available on the application page. Each location can house numerous placements, so please apply for the location closest to you and state a preference (if you have one) for a specific area during the application process.

Please note, knowledge of the banking and financial services sector is not required for you to apply.

To be considered for the programme, you will:

- Be in full-time education at secondary school, sixth form or college at the time of the work experience commencing (June/August the following year from the point of application).
- Be keen and motivated to find out more about HSBC and be prepared to complete the application process, which will include some online questions and, if successful, a telephone interview.



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### Work Experience-How to apply

Please apply via the website: [HSBC Work Experience opportunities](#)

Opportunities will be on the site in Nov this year.

You will be re-directed to a jobs page which holds all of the available locations for the Work Experience programme. We encourage you to choose and apply for a location to which you can reasonably commute. This programme can be highly competitive, so we recommend applying as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Applications will close when all placements are filled, and we will not be able to offer placements in locations not listed.

Please ensure you obtain prior approval from your school, sixth-form or college to undertake this work experience as it falls within the standard school/college term-time.

### What to expect

Your placement will consist of shadowing HSBC colleagues, with a platform to ask questions to help you understand not only what the area you are placed in does, but also what it is like to work at HSBC UK. You will get to know more about us; our values, our history and exactly what we do – alongside gaining an insight into actual jobs that you would be doing should you decide to work for us in the future.

Throughout the course of the week you will have the full support of experienced managers, and be given an opportunity to work on a live project; sharing your ideas with colleagues and managers.

Whether you decide to pursue an [Apprenticeship](#), or go down the [University route](#), the Work Experience programme is a fantastic early insight into a potential career pathway.



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**Our Foundational Apprenticeships** put you in control of your future, providing an entry-level, permanent job whilst working towards Level 3 qualifications (equivalent to A-levels). You will receive a competitive salary and benefit package, alongside a wealth of support and development opportunities to help you thrive in your career within HSBC.

To be considered for a Foundation Apprenticeship, you will need to:

- Be reliable and committed
- Be passionate and enthusiastic
- Have strong communication skills

For: Entry-level job seekers, whether you have just finished school/college or are someone looking to re-start or change their career

Duration: 18 months

Areas: Multiple business areas across HSBC. Please click apply now to see the full list of available positions during the application window.

Location: Nationwide

Requirements: Five GCSEs or equivalent, including Mathematics and English above a grade 4/C

To apply click on the [link](#)

**Our Degree Apprenticeships** are new to HSBC, and offer a real alternative to the full-time university route. You will join on a permanent contract consisting of a four-year structured programme with a series of different rotations across multiple areas of your business line, all whilst working towards a professional qualification through one of our University partners. These Apprenticeships provide you with a fantastic opportunity to progress your career, whilst also working towards an externally recognised degree qualification.

Throughout your programme, you will receive a wealth of support and guidance to ensure you have the platform to accelerate your career within the HSBC Group. This includes a dedicated mentor, ongoing learning and development opportunities via a mixture of one-to-one tuition in the workplace and classroom, on-demand resources, dedicated study days or even the possibility of self-study with residential stays at the university delivering your qualification.

You will receive a highly competitive salary and benefit package from the start, and will be supported at the end of the four-year programme to secure your permanent destination role within HSBC.

To be considered for a Degree Apprenticeship you will:

- Be driven and committed to self-development, with a desire to pursue a career with HSBC
- Be organised, self-motivated and accountable with an ability to set and achieve targets
- Have strong interpersonal skills
- Share our organisation [values](#)
- Have an appetite to learn and be able to effectively manage multiple priorities

For: Entry-level job seekers, whether you have just finished college or are someone looking to re-start or change their career

Duration: 48 months

Areas: Dependent on business demand, please click apply now to see the full list of available positions during the application window.

Location: Nationwide

Requirements:

112 UCAS points across three A-levels (not including General Studies) or equivalent; plus, a minimum of five GCSEs (or equivalent) including English at Grade C and Mathematics at a Grade B (or equivalent)

**For more details or any queries, please contact: [apprenticeship.team@hsbc.com](mailto:apprenticeship.team@hsbc.com)**

## Leeds University Information

**Leeds University Virtual Open Tours** –registration now open. Please register by clicking on [link](#)

**Access to Leeds** is our undergraduate widening access programme. It could offer you the chance to study an undergraduate degree with lower entry requirements than listed on our course pages. If you participate in the scheme you will take part in a study module and you will benefit from support and events to help prepare you for university.

Click on [link](#) for more information

**Pathways to Law** is a widening participation scheme for students from under-represented backgrounds, who are interested in a career in law. This two year programme aims to raise aspirations of young people, increase social mobility and help more young people progress into the legal sector.

In 2019/20, just under 60% of students who completed the Pathways to Law programme at the University of Leeds, were offered a place to study Law at the University.

Students who complete the Pathways to Law programme at any University who run the Pathways to Law programme, may be eligible for a contextual offer to study in the School of Law at Leeds. This is in line with the access to Leeds criteria.

The Pathways to Law programme offers a unique opportunity for students in Year 12 and 13 to experience what it would be like to study Law at University as well as work in the legal sector.

Click on [link](#) for more information

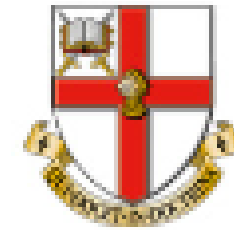
# OXBRIDGE MASTERCLASS

The Oxbridge Masterclass is offering us free access to their online personal statement writing course, which is designed to support anyone making a UCAS application. The course covers the following:

- Tutorials and templates to take you from blank page to final draft
- Walkthrough videos and model personal statements
- Wider reading recommendations based on your subject to kickstart your Autumn preparation

To sign-up, please complete [this form on their website](#).

## Chester University Support Sessions



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### **Wednesday 23rd September, 4pm - Outreach@Chester Online Personal Statement Presentation**

A live Personal Statement presentation, covering tips on starting your personal statement, what to include, what admissions teams look for and more! Students will have the opportunity to ask our expert team any questions about writing personal statements. This live presentation will be hosted on Microsoft Teams, students just need an email address to join the session via the [link on our event page](#)

### **Wednesday 7th October, 4pm - UCAS Decision Making and Application Support**

This online event is for Year 13 students considering Higher Education. Taking place over three days, using Microsoft Teams and the University of Chester Open Day website, students will learn about the fundamentals of the UCAS process and receive support for preparing their university applications.

[More information about dates, sessions and registration is available following this link](#)

## Open days – 12 September and 17 October 2020

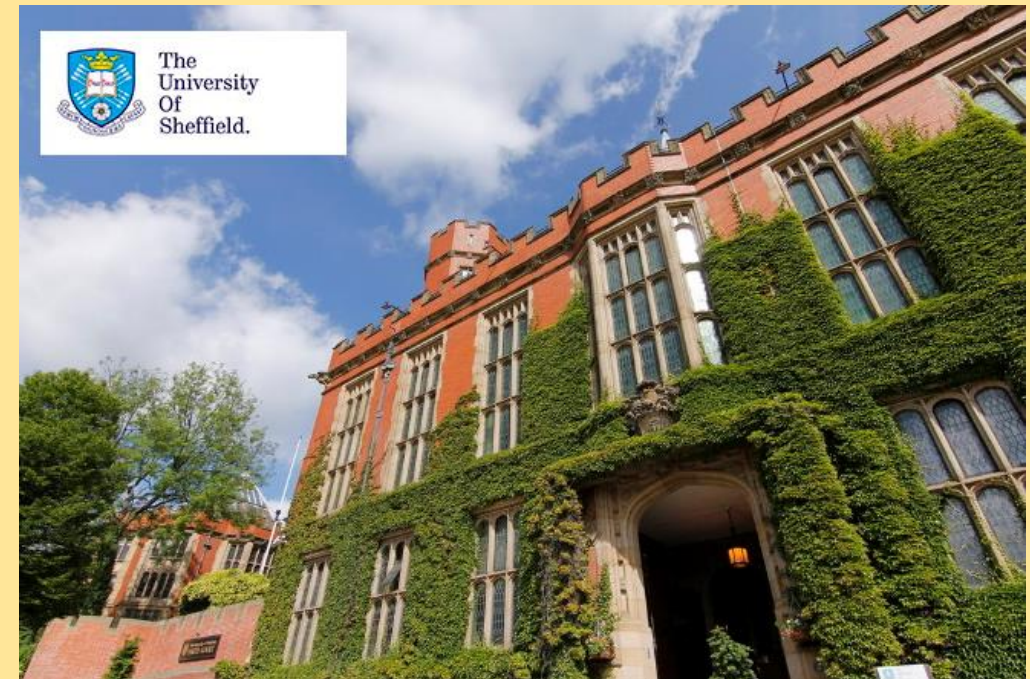
Make Sheffield the start of something special with our online open days. Students, Teachers and Advisors all have the opportunity to explore the campus interactively, and our staff and students will be on hand to answer your questions. Students are encouraged to book their place [here](#).

## Medicine and Dentistry

15 October is still the deadline for our MBChB Medicine and Dental Surgery course. This year both of these courses will host the Multiple Mini-Interview (MMI) virtually, in the form of online panel based interviews. Our MBChB Medicine course will continue to send out the interview questions in advance of the interview.

## Russell Group Information

Join us on Wednesday 7 October from 12:00 to 18:00 for 'Meet the Russell Group', a virtual event in association with UK University Search. 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, download prospectuses and take part in 12 live webinars in the virtual auditorium. Teachers and Students can register their interest [here](#).







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## LJMU Information

### Register for one of our Virtual Open Days

#### City Campus

For courses in the following faculties:

- Faculty of Science
- Faculty of Engineering and Technology
- Faculty of Health

To find out which faculty your course of interest belongs to, go to our [A-Z course list](#), click on the course and scroll down to the bottom of the course page.

**Saturday 10 October:** [Register now](#)

**Saturday 14 November:** [Register now](#)

#### Mount Pleasant Campus

For courses in the following faculties:

- Faculty of Arts, Professional and Social Studies
- Faculty of Business and Law

To find out which faculty your course of interest belongs to, go to our [A-Z course list](#), click on the course and scroll down to the bottom of the course page.

**Saturday 17 October:** [Register now](#)

**Saturday 21 November:** [Register now](#)



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## University of Liverpool

Deciding which university to apply to is a big decision. We know that the best way to find the perfect university for you is to experience them for yourself at an Open Day.

Our Open Days are for prospective UK undergraduate students and will give you a taste of what it's really like to live and study at Liverpool.

Life has been different lately, with attending Virtual Open Days from home replacing touring the country to visit in person. At our Virtual Open Day you can still explore our campus and city, view accommodation, speak to current students and meet lecturers to find out more about what we offer.

We've prepared some information on our website to help you make the most out of our Virtual Open Day, [check it out now!](#)

- We plan to host a series of Virtual Open Days in autumn 2020 at **Manchester Met University**
- At our Virtual Open Day you'll be able to attend subject presentations, take part in live chats with subject tutors, current students and staff representing all the University service areas. When you book a place you'll receive the latest updates about the events, the full programme and joining instructions.
- Grouped by faculties, the events will take place the following days:
  - **Friday 2 October** – discover the world of opportunity you'll be presented with by studying business or law.
  - **Monday 12 October** – explore all things humanities, languages or social sciences.
  - **Tuesday 13 October** – unleash your passion for fashion.
  - **Monday 19 October** – if you enjoy science, engineering or anything sports-related then this is the day for you.
  - **Thursday 29 October** – if your heart belongs to health and education or you have a hunger for nutrition then join us on Thursday.
  - **Friday 30 October** - courses for Manchester School of Art (MSoA), School of Digital Arts (SODA) and Manchester School of Theatre take centre stage.
- Our live virtual events will include all the following activities:
  - over 80 subject presentations representing all our 200 undergraduate course options
  - over 30 subject areas packed with videos, downloadable resources, case studies and links
  - a schedule of live chats for all our subjects with teaching staff
  - student Life Fair covering everything from how to apply, student life, student living, careers to student support and overseas study and exchange options
  - live Student Life Fair chats so you can ask anything you need to know about the university services we offer
  - live chats with our current students about student life and insight into what it is like to study at Manchester Metropolitan University
  - take a virtual tour with some of our current students to get a feel for the campus

To book a place click on the [link](#)

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At Deloitte, an Apprenticeship is not just a training scheme, it's the first step in a long and rewarding career. It comes with a generous salary and annual pay reviews, as well as an absolute commitment to lifelong professional development. You will be encouraged to be your true self, dream bigger, think creatively and deliver real impact; growing and progressing every day – learning from the work, and the people you will collaborate with.

### How do students get involved?

Come and meet Deloitte at their virtual events. Deloitte will be running several during the autumn term; **Skills Sessions** to boost personal and professional growth, **Meet Deloitte** events to learn more about Deloitte's people and culture, and **Discover sessions** to chat to representatives from across the business.

[Register here](#)