



# CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

## OPPORTUNITIES



So you've submitted your UCAS application, but you need to make changes? On this page you can find out how to track or make changes to your application, learn about offers and how to make decisions after you receive your offers.



Join Heidelberg Materials on Wednesday 28th January, 12:30 - 13:00 for this LIVE virtual careers talk with top tips how to apply and roles that are available for September 2026 intake. Site Supervisor, Quantity Surveyor and Higher Apprenticeships are all roles they offer in addition to Craft Apprenticeships. Register here.



Whether you're looking for apprenticeship opportunities, work experience, or graduate programme information, join Lockheed Martin for this inspiring career talk on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January, 18:00 - 18:45, to learn more and hear from their current graduates and apprentices as they share their experiences.



Meet the Early Careers team at Dunelm to learn about their exciting apprenticeship opportunities, including Retail, Supply Chain & Logistics, Commercial, Fitter and more. In this recording you'll find out about Dunelm's early careers programmes and pick up some hints and tips for your apprenticeship application.



This collection of short Apprentice Story films showcases the breadth and variety of apprenticeships, including Firefighting, Engineering, Broadcasting, Zookeeping and more. Apprentices are all around us, often working in surprising roles. Watch our Apprentice Story films to be inspired.



Want to find out which course is for you? Use the Springpod Subject Spotlights to learn more about subjects you may be interested in - 100% free to use! Try them out here.



Building a Data Dream Team: Talking apprenticeships with Costa Coffee. In this recording experts from Costa Coffee discuss the impact of data apprenticeships within their organisation.

## JOB OF THE WEEK



### Civil Engineer

As a Civil Engineer, you'll oversee the actual construction on the ground and work in conjunction with consulting engineers. All civil engineers need a good understanding of design and construction processes, as well as health and safety issues. You'll organise human and material resources on-site and ensure that projects run to time and budget and are safe to work on.

## LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

"The proportion of full-time undergraduates undertaking paid work working during term time is now at 68%. This is up from 56% in 2024 and just 42% in 2020."

This tells us that the increasing cost of living is impacting university students too.

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 Do you have an interest in Engineering? Do you like challenges and problem solving? [Log on to this webinar on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February](#) to discover more about the fields of Chemical, Mechanical, Aerospace, and Automotive and Motorsport Engineering, and the extensive career pathways that these exciting subjects can lead you to!

 How To Plan Your Career Effectively, In Partnership with Pathway CTM: Friday 13th February, 14:00. Are you looking to set clear career goals, understand your strengths, and make confident decisions about your future? Career planning is an essential lifelong skill, and this workshop will guide you through practical strategies to help you map out your pathway. [Register for free here.](#)

 Inside Infrastructure Investment: Careers that keep the world running with Infrastructure Industry Foundation. This session on the 5<sup>th</sup> February 10:00 - 10:45 explores the vital role infrastructure plays in building resilient communities and driving sustainable growth. Learn about the responsibility of managing funds for long-term impact, the importance of corporate social responsibility, and the diverse career routes into this dynamic industry. [Register here.](#)

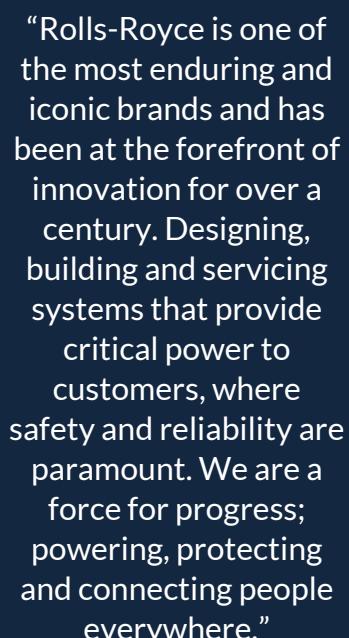
 It can be difficult to know how to make the most of your holidays when preparing for university. [Join the UEA higher education advice team](#) on Thursday 29th January as we discuss: extra and super curricular activities you can undertake while studying; how to build skills and inform your next steps; researching universities; how to make the most of HE and UCAS events; and what you could do in the summer holidays.

 Degree Apprenticeships are an increasingly popular choice to the traditional university route. Come and find out what the benefits are and how to apply. Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 18:00 - 19:00, [register here.](#)

 Check out [this case study](#) about Isabel Chadwick - Project Planning & Controls Apprentice at Thales. Isabel tells us about her role, how she got there and how lots of volunteering is available to early careers.

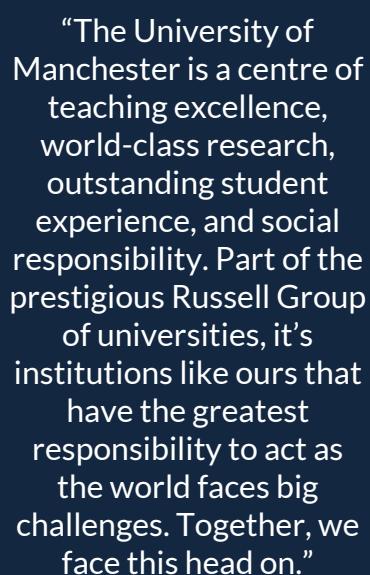
 This Rolls-Royce virtual experience gives you a behind-the-scenes look at the Project Manager role and the critical responsibilities it entails across our diverse projects. [Start the Sprint with Springpod.](#)

## EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

 "Rolls-Royce is one of the most enduring and iconic brands and has been at the forefront of innovation for over a century. Designing, building and servicing systems that provide critical power to customers, where safety and reliability are paramount. We are a force for progress; powering, protecting and connecting people everywhere."

Find out more [here.](#)

## UNI SPOTLIGHT

 "The University of Manchester is a centre of teaching excellence, world-class research, outstanding student experience, and social responsibility. Part of the prestigious Russell Group of universities, it's institutions like ours that have the greatest responsibility to act as the world faces big challenges. Together, we face this head on."

Read more [here.](#)



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## SPOTLIGHT ON...

### BROCKENHURST COLLEGE

Over the coming months our Careers Team will be visiting Post-16 providers and each time they do, we will bring you the most up-to-date and behind the scenes photos to give you a real feel for each sixth form or college.

The wet weather this week didn't get in the way of the Careers Team's tour of Brockenhurst College's amazing 36-acre modern campus, which is located in the New Forest National Park. The college has the widest range of A Level, Vocational and Apprenticeship programmes available locally with 3000 students choosing to start their further education journey with them.

As a large college you might expect the campus to be busy and noisy, but everywhere the team went during the visit, students were calm and quiet and purposeful. Brockenhurst College would be an excellent choice to 'bridge-the-gap' between school and university as it offers a university-feel with self-directed study, over 35 clubs and societies to take part in and a large campus, but crucially, without being overwhelming.

The weather during the visit did not give the best opportunity to view the wonderful green spaces, however they are plentiful and adjoin their incredible sporting facilities including 25-acres of playing fields, a fully equipped gym and fitness studio and plenty of all-weather courts for netball and tennis. There are also lovely social spaces including 'The Hub' as the Learning Resource Centre with bookable project working spaces and 2 eateries where in the café space students can learn barista skills.

Brockenhurst College is a welcoming and aspirational learning environment that prides itself on being inclusive with an educational pathway available for everyone from Level 1 to Level 3 and beyond. Applications are now open and the deadline is Friday 6th February 2026. You can apply [here](#).



### LOCAL APPRENTICESHIPS SPOTLIGHT

"Apprentice Chef, Harvester, Salisbury.

As an Apprentice Chef at Harvester, we will help you master our menu, with your food being the reason guests keep coming through our doors! You'll thrive off the hustle and bustle of a fast-paced kitchen, with the support of a close-knit team, because it's the people that make it all worthwhile. Not only do you gain a Level 2 Production Chef Apprenticeship, you will be able to support the running of our kitchens, creating some amazing moments making sure that quality never slips for our guests!

Your pay will be £10 per hour working 30 hours a week. We offer a pension; 28 days paid holiday; high-street shopping discounts; and we even give you free shares!"

To find more exciting apprenticeship opportunities in the local area, click [here](#).



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## POST-16 PROVIDER OPEN EVENTS & APPLICATION DEADLINES

		OPEN EVENTS INFORMATION	APPLICATION DEADLINES (for September 2026 entry)
S6C		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Applications open: 1st October 2025 Applications close: 31st January 2026
WILTSHIRE COLLEGE		Thursday 5th February 2026, 5pm Thursday 30th April 2026, 5pm	Apply before February half term but be aware that some courses get filled up so the earlier the better.
SOUTH WILTS		Taster Day for Applicants: Wednesday 24th June 2026	Application deadline Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
BROCKENHURST		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Application deadline Friday 6th February 2026.
PETER SYMONDS		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Applications open: 15th September 2025 Applications close: 8th December 2025
BURGATE		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.  Taster Day: Wednesday 12th November 2025, 8:30am – 3pm <i>You must register for a place via the website before 2nd November 2025</i>	2026 applications are now open, no advertised deadline yet.
BISHOPS		Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	2026 applications are now open. Deadline Wednesday 25th February 2026 at 4pm.
ANDOVER COLLEGE		Thursday 12th February 2026 Wednesday 6th May 2026 Saturday 13th June 2026	No official deadline but be aware that some courses get filled up so the earlier the better.
SPARSHOLT		Saturday 7th February 2026 Saturday 7th March 2026 Wednesday 29th April 2026 Thursday 11th June 2026	(Open on the 5th October). They take applications right up until the start of the course, but only if places are available (so apply much earlier if you can).
RINGWOOD		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Application deadline Thursday 11th December 2025
BARTON PEVERIL		All open events are now finished. Contact them directly for a tour.	Application deadline 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026.

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