

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



NGTU Advice Library & Downloadable Resources. Check out the Advice Hub on the NGTU website, where you can discover a range of helpful resources and blogs related to all things early careers!



Do you like Minecraft? Do you want to learn more about careers? The CareersCraft world allows players to develop careers skills and awareness as they visit landmarks across Wales. CareersCraft is played using Minecraft. It is an interactive way for learners to explore careers topics using a platform that is familiar and popular with many people.

The Young Professionals student network is designed for engaged and career-driven students. Their resources and work experience opportunities enable you to engage with employers and discover what it's like to work in different sectors. Upcoming opportunities include Direct Line Group's two-day Business Simulation work experience in London in August.

If you plan to research universities over the summer, you'll be interested to know that UCAS have a webpage devoted to sourcing virtual university tours and videos that will give you a flavour of what the faculties and campus are like and insight into the facilities available. If a university you're interested in isn't listed, you can use the UCAS 'Unibuddy' service, that allows you to search by course or university and chat to current undergraduates to get real-time information and honest opinions.

The University of London group offers one-day or half-day Taster Courses at 13 participating universities in the city. There are over 100 courses to choose from and they are free to attend. You can use a course to check if a subject you already like will suit you, or try something completely new.

JOB OF THE WEEK



This week's video focuses on the job role of a Cartographer.

They design, prepare and revise maps, charts, plans, three-dimensional models and spatial information databases, often using computer-based techniques, and applying principles from science, mathematics and graphic design.

Watch the video to learn more.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT


Users of Prospects.ac.uk were surveyed between 11 January and 11 February 2024 to find out about their career plans and their experiences over the last 12 months. The proportion of respondents who said that taking care of their mental health was among their biggest challenges remained high at 48%.

Source


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What you choose to study at Sixth Form or College can affect your options at university and your future career. The Russell Group of universities have a service called '[Informed Choices](#)', that you can use to learn about which subjects open up different degree pathways, particularly at Russell Group universities. Whether you know what you want to study or not, the website has lots of useful information that can be a jumping-off point for further research on individual university course websites.




The [Student Room](#) website is full of useful information for school, college and university students and all stages of decision-making from GCSEs onwards; the [University section](#) includes in-depth university guides, forums with current students and guidance for student finance applications.



GAIN is a charity that empowers young women and non-binary students to begin their careers in Investment Management. As well as their [Internship programme](#), they host the '[GAIN Meets](#)' podcast that explores key investment concepts and meets industry experts to discuss their career investment topics. If you're an aspiring student looking to pursue a career in finance, or a young professional looking to expand your knowledge, GAIN is a fantastic way to sharpen your industry knowledge.



MOOCs are [free online courses available to anyone](#); they are a flexible way to learn new skills, advance your A level or university course knowledge or explore new areas of interest. Click [here](#) to learn more about this great way to add to your CV, apprenticeship applications or UCAS Personal Statement.



Explore the [Careermap Company Hubs A-Z](#). From industry giants to innovative startups, discover who's shaping the future and find an employer or training provider that matches your aspirations and values.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"If we commit to being customer obsessed, becoming more diverse and inclusive, and operating as One Microsoft, we will achieve our mission to empower every person and organisation on the planet. Every year, thousands of university students from every corner of the world join Microsoft."

You can read more about Microsoft's careers [here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"We are the only UK university to share a campus with a teaching hospital, St George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, so you are immersed in a professional environment from day one. You can walk from lecture theatre to laboratory to hospital ward or clinic with ease."

You can read more about St George's courses [here](#).

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DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION

DESIGNED FOR LIFE - SERIES OF PODCASTS

Out Now and already searchable on all major podcast platforms.

A new series of podcasts, searchable under the banner of **Designed for Life**. A series of stories, chats and casual conversations with inspiring and groundbreaking creative people brought to you by the Design and Technology Association in association with The Edge Foundation. They discuss their lives, what they are trying to achieve and the fantastic and creative things they are doing with technology. It's not all about success, it's also what they have learned from failure.

Some of the clips from the podcasts will be directly usable in the classroom for students. The series of podcasts' aim is to bring the worlds of education and industry closer together, an initiative that the D&T Association is currently working very hard to achieve.

Podcasts now Live

Jay Blades - Designer and presenter of the BBC's The Repair Shop

Michael Omotosho - Industrial Designer

Coming soon:

We have a number of exciting, and inspirational guests lined up in this series, including:

Brian Oppenheim - We meet Brian Oppenheim one of Her Majesties lead inspectors, a former teacher and head of design and technology and currently an experienced lead inspector with responsibility for the subject.

Dids Macdonald and Anne Sampson - We talk with Dids Macdonald OBE Co-founder and Chief Executive of ACID (Anti-copying in Design). At the time of recording, Dids was also Master of The Furniture Makers Company, the City of London livery company and charity for the furniture industry. We were joined in the conversation by Anne Sampson, who was the outgoing Educational Events and Campaigns Manager.

Look out in the news section for these podcasts, to be released soon.

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