



CAREERS & PROGRESSION NEWSLETTER

THIS ISSUE

1st December 2025

This edition features new work experience opportunities with Forrester Boyd, Allied Health, Skyhook and Amazon, plus apprenticeships with BAE Systems, Havelock Day Nursery, Tesco and Morgan Stanley. Explore masterclasses with ACCA, Unifrog, Gresham College and Birkbeck University, and discover university options with Falmouth, Salford and Teesside.

Be sure to complete the Google Form to be in with the chance of winning a £10 Amazon voucher!

Many thanks,

The Careers Team

#SEEYOURFUTURE





Fancy being in with the chance of winning a £10 Amazon voucher?

Complete this short feedback survey to be in the draw!

Career Academy

There are no sessions for Career Academy until Wednesday 10th December.

HighFlyers

Date	Session	Room
3 rd December	Debate Session and	50
	Competition Overview	

Future Creatives Collective with Falmouth University

This free three-day online programme will run during February half term and is designed to

support future progression to creative higher education. A series of live and self-paced online creative workshops, portfolio and application guidance, with support from current Falmouth staff and students. Taking place Monday 16th-Wednesday 18th February 2026

Deadline to apply Friday 23rd January 2026. To find out more click here.

Webinars with University of Hull

Subject and Guidance Webinars available for post-16 students

Date	Subject
3 rd December	Hull University Business School- Step into the
	Future: Innovation & Industry 5.0
5 th December	Computer Science & Software Engineering
8 th December	Computer Science for Games Programming
10 th December	Mathematics: Can Hull survive a Zombie
	Apocalypse
11th December	Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence

All Webinars take place at 5pm and are free to access please click here to book on.

Lenzing

Lenzing have been in touch to see if there are any students that would be interested in either drawing or painting designs on walls for a Wellbeing Room within their site. The room is to support mental health, new mothers and any religious beliefs, if this is something you would be interested in, please contact Nicola Lloyd-Jones on Nicola.Lloyd-jones@franklin.ac.uk



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UK COMPETITION INFORMATION 2025/26

The 'From Player to Page' Creative Writing competition for 11-16 year olds is the literacy initiative that you literally cannot miss!

Storytelling is as important as ever! This school year, a new initiative intended to boost interest in English and English-related pursuits by bringing together literacy goals with the exciting and burgeoning field of video games is taking place. With the support of University of Hull, students in secondary schools will have the opportunity to apply their writing skills to creative writing tasks that reward an interest in gaming.

Competition Run-down

The competition takes place across 2 stages. In the first, students are encouraged to write freely on any game within the competition guidelines.

In the second stage, school coordinators receive a 3-page pack containing 3 game titles chosen for their relevance to writing styles and genres included and examined as part of KS4 studies.

Based on the chosen title, students complete a written answer that is submitted into the final draw.

Experience for Finalists

Finalists will be selected from the final draw and invited to a workshop experience where they will work alongside narrative designers to draft and present their own narrative concept.

Competition History



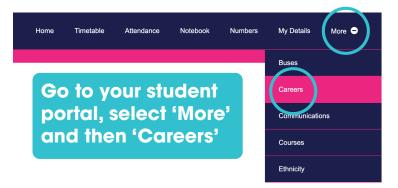
HOW TO ENTER

We are happy to answer any questions you may have. Simply contact the organisers

www.fromplayertopage.co.uk/contact-us

How to book a

Careers Appointment





Fill in the information on the Careers Appointment Booking page



Careers Appointment Booking Drop in advice sessions may be available - please contact College Services. If you would like a careers appointment please complete all of the following fields: What work history or work experience have you had? Do you have any medical condition or other factor which may affect your career choice? No Yes If yes then please give details: What are your interests / what do you do in your spare time? Please tell me how I can help you. Examples: I want to be an accountant; I am interested in doing a course in nursing. Finally, what type of interview would you prefer? Please Select

Book an appointment (not during lessons)

1. Select a date to see a list of available appointments (not today, at the weekend or in the past).

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3. Book the selected appointment.

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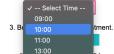
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You will receive a confirmation email 13:00 ll be created in your Outlook Calendar.

If College has your mobile number you will also receive a reminder text on the morning of your appointment.

Select the available appointment slot most convenient to you and book it!

WORK EXPERIENCE

2025 Trainee Accountancy Positions at Forrester Boyd

Forrester Boyd have multiple fantastic opportunities to join them as a Trainee Accountant in Summer 2026, which would be ideal for any final year A Level student. This is a fully funded study package, helping you achieve a globally recognised chartered accountancy qualification. They have opportunities available at all their office locations!

You'll have a full-time job working at Forrester Boyd, earning your own salary while also receiving time off for study days and examinations – they even cover any costs such as petrol, lunch and hotel fees!

The closing date for applications is 16th January 2026 – click here for more information.

Virtual Work Experience in Gaming & Media with SkyHook Games and Springpod

From bold visuals in gaming to the designs shaping our favourite brands, creativity is everywhere. This virtual work experience with Skyhook Games gives you the chance to explore a career where imagination meets innovation.

You'll uncover how creative professionals turn ideas into experiences, how design pushes the boundaries of technology, and what it takes to work in one of the most exciting industries of today. With behind-the-scenes insights from Skyhook's game art specialists and hands-on activities, you'll have the opportunity to put your own creativity to the test.

To find out more and get started click here.

Paediatric Pathway Virtual Work Experience with Allied Health

Take your first steps towards a healthcare career with the UK's only interactive Virtual Work Experience Programme created and delivered by healthcare professionals. You can select from one day or a full 6-month work experience programme where you will follow patients from admission to discharge in the high-fidelity simulation suite, designed to provide you with an immersive experience from the comfort and safety of home.

Register for £10 a day, to find out more and get started click here.

Digital Skills: Research with Amazon

Whether you're deciding what phone to buy or preparing for a job interview, knowing how to research well makes all the difference. But it's not just about Googling — it's about asking the right questions, knowing what to trust, and turning information into action. In this Digital Skills Programme, you'll explore how research works in the real world — from the warehouses at Amazon to your school projects. Through interactive tasks and real examples, you'll learn how to gather, analyse, and communicate findings with confidence.

To get started click here.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships with BAE Systems

Be a pioneer, fast-tracking the future of BAE Systems through innovative technology and nextgeneration engineering feats to tackle complex problems, making a real difference for your career, and the world. With our apprenticeships you'll earn while you learn and receive jobspecific training, experience and recognised qualifications that will shape your career.

To see what apprenticeships are available and for more information click here.

Stronger Starts Programme with Tesco.

Tesco's Stronger Starts apprenticeship programme is now open, offering two fantastic apprenticeship pathways for young people, the well-established Retail Apprenticeship and the brand-new Maintenance Apprenticeship.

Stronger Starts is a fantastic opportunity for young people to kickstart a career in retail or maintenance, enjoy a brilliant starting salary, and receive lots of support and coaching along the way.

For more information and how to apply click <u>here</u> for Maintenance Apprenticeships or click <u>here</u> for Retail Apprenticeships.

Apprentice Early Years Educator with Havelock Day Nursery

Apprentice early years educator is required at Havelock Day Nursery, Grimsby, DN33 2BA. We are looking for someone with a love of working with children, where you will gain the Level 3 qualification. Ideally you will have previous experience of working with children- take a look and apply today!

To find out more information about this position and to apply click here.

<u>Technology Professional Degree Apprenticeship Program with Morgan Stanley</u>

The Technology Apprenticeship offered in London combines on-the-job training alongside a part time degree. Our Apprenticeship programme is great for school leavers that have a technology-focused career path in mind, and want to learn whilst earning at the same time. The duration of the apprenticeship is four years, with vast prospects for advancement. During the apprenticeship, you will rotate into different areas of the Technology Division, in order to fulfil both your degree requirements and to ensure you have a well-rounded experience.

For more details on this degree apprenticeship opportunity and to apply click here.

MASTERCLASSES

Leaders of Tomorrow: Accountancy Opportunities for all Young People with ACCA

Interested in football? Fashion? Politics? Guess what - they all need accountants! This masterclass proves accountancy is the ultimate foundation for *any* dream career you can imagine. You'll meet industry leaders who used their qualification to launch extraordinary lives.

This webinar will take place on Tuesday 4th December from 6:30pm – 7:30pm – click <u>here</u> to register.

Where could a Sociology degree take me? With Unifrog

In this session with the University of Portsmouth, you'll discover the skills and future careers a sociology degree could unlock for you. You'll learn more about the value of the social sciences and tackle some of the common myths and misconceptions around subjects like sociology. You'll also hear from graduates on how sociology is transforming their lives and the lives of others.

Wednesday 10th December at 4.30pm to register click here.

A Tudor Christmas with Gresham College

Christmas wasn't invented by the Victorians! The Tudors enjoyed a twelve-day-long festival of feasting, carols, gifts, mince pies and merrymaking, over which the Lord of Misrule held sway. Ancient traditions survived remarkably unchanged in the Tudor age of tumultuous religious upheaval.

This webinar will take place on Wednesday 17th December from 6pm. Click here to register.

You're Busted: Have you got what it takes to be a defence lawyer? With Birkbeck University of London

Participants will take on the role of defence lawyers, working through a fictional case to decide: can they successfully argue for their client's release, or will the evidence prove too strong?

Designed to spark interest in legal study and develop critical thinking, this session offers a lively introduction to the LLB Law degree and the real-world skills it builds.

To enquire and take part on Wednesday 3rd December click here.

A SPOTLIGHT

Insurance & Pensions

Feeling flush today? Awesome! But let's not forget about tomorrow. Start a career in insurance and pensions and help others plan for their future, too!

What is insurance and pensions?

Insurance is all about protecting your favourite stuff – like your car, home or even a celeb's iconic legs! If things go south, insurance helps you bounce back financially. Pensions are your retirement money goals. You and your employer stash some cash into a fund while you work, so when you retire, you can chill with regular income. Both insurance and pensions are about smart money management for the long haul. Insurance companies often do both, investing your pension cash and covering you when life throws curveballs.

What jobs can I do?

- Asset Manager: Asset managers are the money wizards. They invest your insurance premiums
 and pension funds to make that cash grow. Basically, they're all about making smart moves
 with your money.
 - Claims Inspector: Claims inspectors are like detectives for insurance claims. They dig into accidents, check records, and make sure people aren't pulling a fast one when they cash in a claim.
- Insurance Broker: Insurance brokers are your go-to experts for finding the best insurance deals.
 They know how to read the small print and make sure you're getting the coverage you actually need
- **Pension Scheme Manager:** Pension scheme managers handle the company's pension funds. They develop policies, advise on investments, and ensure there's enough cash when employees retire. They've got your back for the future!
- **Underwriter:** Underwriters are the gatekeepers of insurance applications. They decide who gets coverage based on the risk factor and set the terms of your policy. No risk, no reward!

What are the top skills?

- Attention-to-detail: Catching small mistakes to avoid bigger issues later.
- Communication: Explaining complex policies and negotiating deals clearly.
 - Logical thinking: Analysing data and situations to find the best solutions.
- Numerical skills: Using data for smart financial decisions in areas like asset management.
- Problem-solving: Creative thinking to handle challenges such as claims or insurance plans.

How do I start a career in insurance and pensions?

- Can I do an apprenticeship? You can start with a level 2 apprenticeship, such as accounts or finance assistant, and progress to a level 6 financial services professional.
- Is university an option? Yes! A degree in finance, economics, or business management is great for roles like actuary or asset manager.
 - **How can I stand out?** Join challenges like the UK Maths Challenge or solve logic puzzles to boost your skills and make your CV stand out.

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Campus Tours in December with Falmouth University

Our in-person Campus Tours are a great opportunity to get a real feel for what its like to study in our creative community. On the day, a Student Ambassador will guide you around our campus grounds and buildings, including the professional facilities and learning spaces. They'll also be able to answer any questions you might have about living and studying here at Falmouth.

Falmouth University is offering a travel fund of up to £100 for eligible students attending their undergraduate on-campus events. Dates available are 3rd and 5th December.

To send an enquiry click here.

<u>Undergraduate Open Day at University of Salford Manchester</u>

By coming to an Open Day you'll get a real sense of what studying at the University of Salford is like. You'll get to take part in course talks, learn more in Q&As with our students, tour our beautiful green campus, and more. You'll also get to see accommodation, meet teaching and support staff, find out all you need to know about student finance, and learn about settling into student life.

Taking place Saturday 13th December, to find out more and to see if you are eligible for the travel bursary of up to £120 click <u>here</u>.

Engineering the ultimate stadium with Teesside University

Working to a brief to design a fully sustainable sports arena and village, students take part in a carousel of hands-on workshops to understand the role each engineering discipline plays in the project.

To find out more and send an enquiry click here.

Discover Dental Hygiene and Dental Nursing with Teesside University

Students explore the training and skills needed to work in the profession. They work with our clinical teaching staff and get hands-on with some of our specialist equipment. They also visit our skills laboratory, which features state-of-the-art phantom head simulation for practicing periodontology skills.

To send an enquiry and find out more click here.





















