

CAREERS & PROGRESSION NEWSLETTER

THIS ISSUE

10th November 2025

In this edition, Discover work experience in aerospace engineering with Rolls-Royce, accounting with AAT, NHS virtual placements, and the pharmaceutical industry. Explore degree apprenticeships with Arcadis, the BBC, Babcock, and EDF.

Take part in masterclasses including a Business Taster Session with Unifrog, "Why Do We Laugh?" with Gresham College, an Engineering Webinar with the University of Wolverhampton, and Transforming Diabetes Care with UCL Medical Sciences.

Join university-focused experiences such as a Summer Residential Insight with the Engineering Development Trust, Leeds Futures Healthcare, Ambition 16-18 with the University of Nottingham, the Research and Innovation Conference with leading UK universities and talks and tasters with University of East Anglia.

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

Many thanks,

The Careers Team

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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

Complete **this** short feedback survey to be in the draw!

Career Academy

Your next sessions will be as follows:

<u>Academy</u>	<u>Guest</u>	<u>Room</u>
Business	Interview Prep	46
Health	Interview Prep	D08
Law	Interview Prep	74
STEM	Interview Prep	50

These will take place on Wednesday 12th November from 2:45 - 3:45pm.

Please can students remember to fill in the feedback form posted on the Google Classroom after each week's sessions.

High Flyers

please see the upcoming session during Wednesday lunch.

Date	Session	Room
12/11/25	Applying to Oxbridge	50

Work Experience

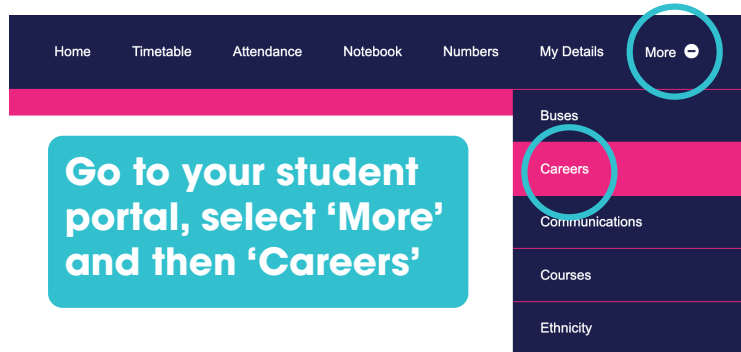
If you are looking for or are interested in work experience opportunities, please email amy.croft@franklin.ac.uk for further information on how to apply or visit the CFPD office.

Careers Appointments

If you are unsure of your next steps or want some advice and guidance about courses, training, employment, or apprenticeships – please make a careers appointment.

If you need any help, please follow the guide on the next page, or email zofia.ciopcinski@franklin.ac.uk.

How to book a Careers Appointment



Fill in the information on the Careers Appointment Booking page

Careers Appointment

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).

March 2023						
Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
27	28	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

2. Select one of the available appointments (Red text represent slots where careers are available, but you are not).

-- Select Time --

3. Book the selected appointment.

Book Appointment

You will receive a confirmation email and an appointment will 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.

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- 09:00
- 10:00
- 11:00
- 13:00

3. Book the selected appointment.

You will receive a confirmation email and an appointment will 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

Make A Positive Difference in the UK: Fulfilling careers with purpose in industry Work Experience with The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry

Join us for a half-day work experience session to learn more about fulfilling career options in the pharmaceutical industry, it's not all about science; you might be surprised!

The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI) is the voice for pharmaceutical companies in the UK- join us for this interactive session.

Taking place 27th November 10am- 1pm, Applications close 13th November to find out more and apply click [here](#).

Rolls-Royce: Aerospace Engineer Work Experience with Springpod

Aerospace engineering at Rolls-Royce is more than just building engines — it is about pioneering power, pushing boundaries, and shaping the future of flight across Civil Aerospace and Defence. In this free virtual experience, you will explore this dynamic world, gain foundational engineering skills, and see if this innovative and vital industry could be the right path for you.

To get started click [here](#).

AAT Virtual Work Experience with Springpod

Step into the world of accounting and finance with this AAT Virtual Work Experience programme! Designed to inspire and educate, this immersive programme provides a unique opportunity to explore the diverse career paths available in the accounting and financial profession. You'll gain invaluable insights into the world of professional accounting and bookkeeping, meet industry experts, and develop key skills that will set you apart in a competitive job market.

To get started click [here](#).

Trainee Academy with Forrester Boyd Chartered Accountants

Are you ready to kick-start your career in accountancy? Our Trainee Academy applications are now open for our summer 2026 intake, and this could be your opportunity to build a future you will be proud of!

Apply today and take your first step towards an exciting career in accountancy, Application deadline is Friday 16th January 2026. Click [here](#) to find out more and how to apply.

NHS Virtual Work Experience Program for Aspiring Healthcare Professionals

The NHS Healthcare Careers Virtual Work Experience by Allied Healthcare Mentor offers you the chance to explore a variety of healthcare roles through an immersive online experience. This program covers careers like nursing, physiotherapy, radiography, and speech therapy, offering a brilliant insight into these fields. Each session is £10, with certificates provided upon completion.

Paediatric Pathway taking place 7th December, Click [here](#) to register or find out more information.



APPRENTICESHIPS

Air Quality Consultant Degree Apprenticeship with Arcadis

Located in either Leeds and Warrington, Applications are open to pre-register now and close January 2026 to start September 2026.

To get pre-registered click [here](#).

Data Scientist Apprenticeship with BBC, Salford

Join us as an apprentice at the BBC to give yourself the opportunity to kick start your career in a job you'll love. We're committed to your skills and talent development. You'll learn on-the-job, developing your knowledge and skills in an area that interests you, while working towards your apprenticeship qualification with one of our learning providers.

To find out more click [here](#).

Chemical and Process Engineering Degree Apprenticeship with Babcock

As a Chemical and Process Engineering Apprentice, you'll be part of a collaborative and welcoming team that's solving complex challenges in nuclear power generation and decommissioning. From your first day, you'll begin learning how to apply core chemical engineering principles to real-world projects that support everything from low-carbon energy to defence and environmental clean-up.

You'll be based in one of our main hubs – Dalton Avenue in Warrington, the Babcock Technology Centre in Bristol, or Humberside – and work on a diverse portfolio of projects. These might include adapting reactor technologies for UK deployment, supporting the UK's nuclear-powered submarine fleet, or helping to decommission legacy nuclear sites safely and sustainably.

To find out more and apply click [here](#).

Apprenticeships with EDF

Our apprenticeship programmes open for applications in January 2026. Be the first to hear about the latest updates and exciting opportunities at EDF- by joining our Apprentice talent community.

Sign up to receive valuable application and interview tips and stay connected with our in-house recruitment team. Explore the different sectors apprenticeships available whilst waiting for applications to open.

To find out more and join the talent community click [here](#).



MASTERCLASSES

Transforming Diabetes Care: UCL Research Innovations and Discoveries

UCL Faculty of Medical Sciences presents its November Public Lecture which is dedicated to World Diabetes Day.

This special event will explore UCL's cutting-edge research into diabetes from tackling stigma to pioneering innovations in treatment and care.

The evening will feature a dynamic panel discussion followed by an audience Q&A, offering insights into the future of diabetes research and management.

13th November 5pm- 6.15pm book [here](#).

Why Do We Laugh with Gresham College

Laughter is an incredibly powerful and yet mysterious emotion. We laugh with delight, but also surprise. We laugh at jokes, but also at embarrassment. Why? What subconscious signal is laughter intended to display? Why do we laugh when someone tickles us and what should we make of the fact that rodents do it too? And why is it that people's sense of humour differs wildly and yet some drugs can send us all into fits of the giggles, even if there is nothing to laugh at?

Taking place Wednesday 12th November at 6pm, Join [here](#).

Engineering at WLV Webinar with University of Wolverhampton

Log on to our live webinar to discover more about the fields of Chemical, Mechanical, Aerospace, and Automotive and Motorsport Engineering from our Engineering Academics.

Learn about our facilities and the extensive career pathways that these exciting subjects can lead you to!

Monday 1st December 1pm- 2pm to book a place click [here](#).

Business Taster Session Webinar with Unifrog

How can organisations thrive amid growing uncertainty?

In this taster lecture you'll gain an insight into studying business for your degree. This session will draw on the ideas of author and risk analyst Nassim Nicholas Taleb: The Black Swan, Antifragile, and Skin in the Game.

You'll discover how businesses can anticipate rare, high-impact events, build resilience under stress, and embrace accountability.

Wednesday 12th November at 5.30pm to join click [here](#).



A SPOTLIGHT

ON...

Consultancy

Consultants dish out advice to help businesses improve. It's the perfect job for creative problem solvers with tons of fresh ideas!

What is Consultancy?

In a nutshell, a consultant is an expert who gives advice to businesses, helping them improve efficiency and profitability. They assess operations and develop strategies for success.

What Consultancy jobs can I do?

There are plenty of jobs available in Consultancy, including creative consultancy, environmental consultancy, recruitment consultancy, management consultancy, sustainability consultancy and so many more.

What are the top skills in Consultancy?

- Strong communication skills are crucial for consultants. They need to convey complex information simply and engage effectively with clients and team members.
- Outstanding customer service is key in consultancy. It builds trust and fosters strong relationships with clients, leading to long-term partnerships.
- Independent working skills are crucial, as consultants often work alone on projects, requiring self-motivation and effective time management.
- Presentation skills enable consultants to communicate their ideas clearly and persuasively during meetings and presentations.
- Collaborating with clients and colleagues brings diverse perspectives, leading to smart solutions for complex challenges.

How can I start a career Consultancy?

If you want to do an apprenticeship, there are higher apprenticeships like the junior management consultant role. You'll gain relevant skills and qualifications after completing your A-levels or equivalent!

University is a great option if you want to get into Consultancy! Consider degrees in business, maths, economics and other analytical subjects, as they provide a solid foundation for consultancy careers.

There are plenty of qualifications and certifications available, such as achieving a Certified Management Consultant and Chartered Business Strategist certificate through the Institute of Consulting, often requiring a few years of experience.

To stand out, focus on building a strong network, gaining practical experience, and developing unique skills that set you apart from other candidates.

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION



Ambition: 16-18 with the University of Nottingham

Ambition is a **free**, two-year scheme for all **Year 12 students and Year 1 vocational students** from anywhere in the UK. The majority of this programme takes place online, with an opportunity to visit us on campus at our VIP Open Day.

The activities support progression and application to a university of your choice.

Applications close 7th December, to find out more and apply click [here](#).

Summer Residential Insight into University with The Engineering Development Trust

Have you ever wondered what it's like to go to university? Are there lots of questions about university going around in your head? Would you like to know what it's like before you take the leap and apply for a STEM university degree? Well now you can - with our Industrial Cadets Residential Insight into University experiences, you get the chance to try out a STEM degree subject at leading universities throughout the UK.

To find out what is available and how to apply click [here](#).

Leeds Futures - Healthcare

The Leeds Futures - Healthcare programme is designed to inspire and support Year 12 students interested in pursuing a career in health and social care, who may not yet be sure on which profession is the best fit for them. It will help you develop your skills and subject knowledge, giving you the opportunity to take part in talks, workshops and other enrichment activities alongside your current studies.

Fortnightly sessions will be delivered online via Zoom. University staff, current students, and guest speakers will deliver content, with opportunities for you to interact and participate. You will also have the opportunity to visit the University of Leeds for a campus day.

Applications close Sunday 23rd November but for more information, click [here](#).

Research and Innovation Conference with UK Universities

Join us for Universities UK's annual research and innovation conference - a key event bringing together senior leaders, researchers, and policymakers from across the sector to explore the evolving landscape of research, innovation, policy, and partnership. This one-day conference will explore how universities are shaping research excellence, fostering collaboration, driving innovation and enhancing public impact - while connecting research ambitions to reputation and the broader role of universities in society.

Wednesday 10th December 9.30am- 4.30pm click [here](#) to book on.





Talks, tasters and opportunities for you and your students

**Information for
teachers and advisers**
2025-26





Our talks will prepare your students and demystify the university experience



Why do people go to university?

30-45 mins

This session covers the benefits of higher education, including the impact a degree can have on career prospects as well as the social and life skills gained by studying at university.

Applying to university: the UCAS journey

30-45 mins

Students learn the ins and outs of the UCAS system. We discuss the basics, like how to apply, key dates and the steps they will need to undertake to reach their first few weeks of being a successful university student.

Making the most of sixth form or college

20-30 mins

We'll discuss extra and super-curricular activities students can undertake while studying at sixth form or college to build skills and inform their next steps, as well as subject-specific tips for university applications.

Writing a successful personal statement

30-60 mins

Delivered as either a talk or an interactive class workshop, this in-depth session will give practical advice for students to make an educated start on their personal statements. Includes optional digital or printed workbook for students to complete.

Making the most of HE fairs, open days and summer holidays

20-30 mins

This talk will support your students in exploring opportunities after sixth form or college. We'll talk about researching universities, how to make the most of HE and UCAS events, and what to do in the summer holidays.

Which higher education course is right for me?

30-45 mins

This talk provides guidance on how to narrow down choices to find the right course and university for your students. We will weigh up the options, suggest questions to ask during the research process and then demonstrate the benefits of spending time researching and visiting universities.

Why UEA?

20-30 mins

Learn everything you need to know about our internationally renowned university. In this session, we'll explore our undergraduate courses, social and sport activities and what it's like to live and study in Norwich.

Study abroad and placement opportunities

20-30 mins

University degrees have lots to offer beyond the standard three-year course. In this session, we'll discuss what it's like to study abroad or take a work placement year, where students could go, the benefits of both and the support that's available.

OPEN DAYS



Open Days are the best way to explore our campus, discover more about our courses and chat to lecturers and students about what it's like to study and live at UEA.

To help with the cost of visiting our Open Days, we are pleased to offer students free train travel within the Greater Anglia network*.

- Saturday 6 September 2025
- Saturday 25 October 2025
- Saturday 29 November 2025
- Saturday 4 July 2026

www.uea.ac.uk/opendays

*T&Cs apply



ASK US ANYTHING

Nothing beats hearing directly from current university students or the lecturers who teach on our courses. Powered by Unibuddy, our online chat function is an easy way to find out what it's like to live and study at UEA, from the people who know best.

www.uea.ac.uk/ask-us

GATSBY BENCHMARKS

All of our talks, taster lectures and opportunities to visit our campus contribute to the Gatsby benchmarks of Good Career Guidance (1, 2, 3 and 7).



Look out for the symbols.

What's it like to be a student at university?

30-45 mins

Hear what life at UEA is really like and give your students the opportunity to ask any questions they might have, on anything from managing finances and independent study, to settling in and getting support.

Starting and succeeding at university

30-45 mins

Our HE Advisers will give your students all the essential tips for their next steps. We'll discuss topics such as the study skills they can work on to help them succeed at university, accommodation, moving away from home and the support available to help them settle in and succeed.

How does student finance work?

20-45 mins

This session will talk about the support available through Student Finance England, budgeting and how students can make the most of their money at university.

Preparing for results day

20-30 mins

When it comes to results day, it's a good idea to prepare for all eventualities. In this talk, we'll bust some clearing myths, go through what happens on a clearing call and share simple tips to help students make the right decisions for them, without feeling panicked or overwhelmed.



Taster lectures



Inspire your students with subject taster lectures and workshops delivered by our team of friendly academics. We offer a range of topics including sciences, social sciences, medicine, health sciences, arts and humanities.

We are pleased to offer a flexible range of options. Our public online tasters can be watched together as a class or by individual students. Alternatively, contact us to discuss a bespoke taster for your sixth form or college.

www.uea.ac.uk/study/tasters



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Complete University
Guide 2026

PARENTS AND CARERS



Supporting your student on their journey to university

A presentation about the higher education journey for parents and carers, followed by the chance to ask any questions on topics such as student finance, accommodation and student life.

CONTACT OUR HE ADVISERS

We want to support you, so we do not charge for these services. If you're unsure which opportunities suit you or your students best, please get in touch. We'll help identify the best content, timing and delivery method for your situation. Email schools@uea.ac.uk

RUNNING YOUR OWN EVENT?



If you are running your own HE event or careers fair for your sixth form or college, please get in touch to discuss how we can support you.

YOUR STUDENTS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP



Sport

Up to £1,500 per year

Tailored support for athletes to reach their full potential.



Music

£3,000 (£1,000 per year)

Developing the skills of talented and ambitious musicians.



Extracurricular

£1,000

60th Anniversary Scholarship to enhance student life.



Difference

£15,000 over duration of study

Financial assistance for families with a lower income.

FOR FULL DETAILS AND ELIGIBILITY
VISIT OUR SCHOLARSHIP FINDER

www.uea.ac.uk/scholarships



TEACHERS AND ADVISERS

Subject tasters

We welcome teachers and advisers at our online taster lectures. The sessions can be used as extended reading, enrichment and group discussion opportunities with your students – or simply to broaden your knowledge of a particular topic. Our comprehensive programme runs throughout the year, covering a range of subjects.

www.uea.ac.uk/study/tasters

Nurturing Bright Futures: teacher and adviser conference

29 and 30 June 2026 | UEA Campus

Join our free, CPD-accredited residential conference to network with like-minded peers and hear the latest news in higher education direct from industry experts. You'll leave feeling inspired and ready to put knowledge into practice to help guide your students on their journey to university.

www.uea.ac.uk/study/teachersconference

September 2025

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