

CAREERS & PROGRESSION NEWSLETTER

THIS ISSUE

8th June 2026

In this issue, we are featuring a range of exciting virtual work experience opportunities with Futures for All and RWE, alongside opportunities with BG Solicitors and Costa.

We also highlight a variety of apprenticeships with NatWest Group, Foresight, and Birmingham Chemists, as well as the chance to explore a Level 6 Research and Development Laboratory Scientist role with Tronox. There are plenty of masterclasses available with the British Army, Gresham College, and Unifrog. You can also take a look at the university page for information on upcoming open days and an undergraduate show.

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!

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.

Work Experience

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

New Opportunities

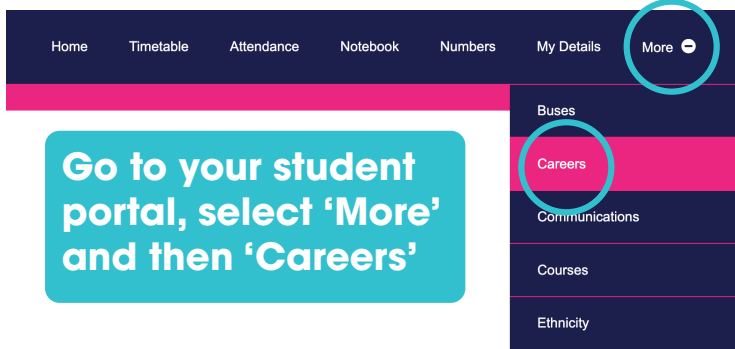
CATCH launches HNC Level 4 Qualification to Strengthen Skills Pipeline for Industry

The new HNC programmes are designed to build on the strong foundations developed through Level 3 apprenticeships delivered at CATCH, giving learners the opportunity to advance their knowledge, develop higher-level technical skills, and take the next step in their careers within the energy, process, chemical and renewable sectors.

From September 2026, CATCH will initially offer two HNC pathways in Mechanical Engineering and EC&I (Electrical, Control and Instrumentation) Engineering. Both programmes are delivered on a day-release basis over two years, providing flexibility for learners and employers. The qualification can be standalone, or as part of a higher apprenticeship pathway that runs over three years and includes an on-site NVQ project, with both the HNC and NVQ fully covered by the growth and skills levy. The programmes are delivered by industry experienced tutors and shaped by input from regional employers, ensuring content remains relevant, practical and aligned to industry needs. This makes the qualifications highly valuable for technicians, engineers and employers across the region.

For more information click [here](#).

How to book a Careers Appointment



Fill in the information on the Careers Appointment Booking page

Careers Appointment

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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						
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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.

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

WORK

EXPERIENCE



Indu X The British Beauty Council Remote Work Experience with Futures for All

Are you passionate about beauty and considering a career in the industry? Curious about how your favourite products are created, or what it takes to build a successful beauty brand?

Join our two-day remote Work Experience Programme, hosted by indu in partnership with the British Beauty Council. This is your chance to gain exclusive, behind-the-scenes insight into one of the UK's leading teen beauty brands.

Taking place 8th and 9th July 2026 10am to 2pm.

Closes Wednesday 17th June click [here](#) to find out more and apply

Work Experience with BG Solicitors

Are you curious about a career in law? Do you want to see what life inside a busy solicitor's office is really like? Our work experience placement is the perfect opportunity to step into the world of a legal practice and gain valuable skills that will set you apart.

Whether you are considering a career in law or simply want to strengthen your CV, this is your chance to experience the law in action and discover if it is the path for you.

Places are limited – applications will be taken during the month of November and May.

Click [here](#) for more information.

Barista at Costa, Grimsby

We're currently recruiting a driven Barista to help us create beautifully crafted drinks for a major High Street brand on a part time basis, contracted to 16 hours per week. As a Barista, you will use your skills to deliver first-class service and perfectly crafted coffees to our customers. You'll get given every opportunity to progress within a company that invests in its people, celebrates individuality, and rewards and recognises employees who go beyond the plate.

Click [here](#) for more information or to apply.

Offshore Wind at RWE Virtual Work Experience

Are you interested in a career in the renewable energy sector? This programme will demonstrate how to harness wind power to generate sustainable electricity and improve our environmental footprint. You'll be introduced to careers and pathways into this dynamic industry so that you can get your foot in the door and make a real difference! You'll explore the innovative world of offshore wind - from creating offshore wind farms to environmental factors and cutting-edge engineering projects taking the offshore wind sector by storm. Plus, you'll be able to find out about the various careers and pathways into this exciting sector!

Click [here](#) for more information.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeship Opportunities with NatWest Group

Applications for NatWest Group's 2026 apprenticeships are now open, and we'd really appreciate your support in sharing these opportunities with students who may be exploring their next steps.

We're currently recruiting for Customer Service and Relationship Management apprenticeships in Rotherham, Aberdeen, Southampton and Dundee. These are locations where we're keen to connect with motivated candidates.

Click [here](#) for more information and to see available opportunities.

Administrator Apprentice with Foresight

To provide all aspects of administrative support that will meet the needs and requirements of all Foresight service delivery and support staff associated with service delivery.

For more information or to apply, click [here](#).

Learning and Development Apprentice with Northeast Lincolnshire Council

We are looking for a motivated and enthusiastic Learning and Development Apprentice to join our team on a full-time basis. This is a fantastic opportunity to start your career in Learning and Development while gaining a nationally recognised Level 3 apprenticeship qualification.

Closing date 23rd June, for more information and to apply click [here](#).

Pharmacy Assistant Apprenticeship with Birmingham Chemists LTD

We are looking for a friendly, reliable and motivated Pharmacy Assistant Apprentice to join a busy community pharmacy team. This is a great opportunity to earn while you learn, gaining hands-on experience in a healthcare environment while working towards a recognised apprenticeship qualification.

Applications close on 13th June, so be quick – click [here](#) for more information.

Research & Development Laboratory Scientist Apprentice with Tronox

Tronox are looking for a Laboratory Scientist Apprentice in the R&D department. During the course of the apprenticeship, you will receive practical and theoretical training in Laboratory techniques such as Product development, Analytical Science & Applications research which will support for a future career in the Chemical Industry. Scientist Level 6 programme.

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

MASTERCLASSES

Joining the Army Series: Regular Officer with the British Army

This webinar breaks down what it really means to join the Army as a commissioned officer. We'll talk you through what to expect, from applying through to starting your training, so you can make an informed decision with confidence.

This session is designed for anyone thinking about becoming an officer. You don't need any prior knowledge. We focus on clear, honest information to help you understand whether the officer route is right for you.

Taking place Tuesday 23rd June 6pm- 7pm, click [here](#) to register.

Economics Taster: Does Money make us Happy? With Unifrog

How do we make choices, and what really drives happiness? In this session with the University of Plymouth you'll explore how economics helps to explain our everyday decisions, from spending time and money to responding to pressure. Using real-world examples, you'll discover how economists think about behaviour and wellbeing, and why happiness is about more than just income

Taking place Wednesday 10th June 4.30pm- 5.15pm, click [here](#) to watch.

Cicero In and On Political Crises with Gresham College

An enthusiast of the Roman mixed constitution, Cicero was elected consul and in that role dramatically curbed the tyrannical ambitions of Catiline. He would later become fatally embroiled in the shifting politics of later generations of ambitious strongmen, while also writing his own theories of constitutional change. This lecture explores Cicero's life and death as a way to articulate the crises of the late republic.

This will take place on Thursday 11th June at 6pm

Click [here](#) to sign up.

There Must be a Better Way: Thoughts on the Future of Family Law with Gresham College

The lecture will be delivered within three months of Sir Andrew McFarlane's retirement after 21 years on the Family Bench. Whilst the phrase 'un-plugged' may not be appropriate, it is anticipated that the lecturer will no longer feel restrained by judicial caution when commenting upon the future development of Family Justice. In addition to a focus on the future of adoption law and the need for significant reform in relation to the financial rights of cohabitants, the lecturer will use a perspective gained from 8 years as the judicial Head of Family Justice to offer suggestions for reform of the system itself

This will take place on Monday 15th June at 6pm.

Click [here](#) to sign up.



A SPOTLIGHT

ON...

Advertising, Marketing & Public Relations

A career in marketing is all about selling products and ideas in creative and innovative ways. Every business that has something to sell – whether it's a mobile phone company or a cookery school – needs to inspire people to buy it: that's marketing. Marketing jobs cover lots of different areas, from researching the customers and what they want to buy, to writing 'copy' that encourages people to make the purchase. Advertising is one (big) part of marketing. We come across adverts every day – from TikTok and YouTube to radio, billboards and magazines. A career in public relations (PR) is all about raising the profile of an organisation. For example, planning a campaign to highlight how eco-friendly your company is, or organising press releases and events to introduce your new business to the world.

What jobs are available?

The great thing about marketing is that you can work for any kind of organisation, from a charity to a fashion label or even your favourite TV channel. There are heaps of different marketing, advertising and PR job roles to choose from, including Art Director, Copywriter, PR Officers and Managers, Events Planning, Research, Digital Marketing and more.

Entry routes and training

What you should study depends on what you want to do. If you want to go down the design route you should study art and design at A-level or an NVQ in design and a related degree. For research jobs, it's handy to have a degree and to study maths at least at A-level. If you want to direct and oversee marketing campaigns, and see yourself as more of an all-rounder, you can study A-levels in marketing and business and do the same for your degree.

There are loads of apprenticeships in marketing, including the marketing assistant advanced apprenticeship, marketing executive higher apprenticeship and options at level 6 as well. Through an apprenticeship, you could also become a digital marketer or market research executive. You could do a degree in a field related to business, marketing or sales. Marketing professionals also study university subjects such as English, sociology or psychology, which provide many of the skills needed in the industry.

Where are vacancies advertised?

Vacancies are advertised on national and global jobs boards, sites like LinkedIn, industry websites such as Digital Marketing Jobs and Dice, and on the Government's Find a Job service.

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION



2026 Undergraduate Show Bish Bash Bosh with Leeds Arts University

Join us for our 2026 end of year showcase, Bish Bash Bosh, celebrating the creativity and dedication of our final year undergraduate students.

From 15–20 June our Blenheim Walk campus will be transformed into a large-scale exhibition space, showcasing the creative talent from across our undergraduate degree courses, offering a valuable opportunity for industry professionals and the wider creative community to engage with the work of our graduating students.

Taking place on Monday 15th June to Saturday 20th June – click [here](#) to book your place.

2027 Entry Applications on UCAS with University of Cambridge

The University of Lincoln's parents' event has been designed for parents, guardians, and carers of current Year 12 students who would like to find out more about university study and how they can support you on your academic journey, regardless of which university you would like to study at. Guests will have the chance to hear from support staff from across the university, covering topics from fees and funding to student wellbeing. Most importantly, you will be able to ask any questions that you might have about university study so that you can feel confident about your next steps. You are, of course, also welcome to attend, and will find value in the information, resources, and advice provided throughout the evening.

To see available courses click [here](#) to apply.

Open Days with University of East Anglia Norwich

Choosing a university is a huge decision, but we're with you every step of the way. We design our open days to give you real insight into what it's like to study here, so you have the information you need to make your choice. Tour the campus, find your perfect accommodation, meet your future lecturers, and get a feel for student life in Norwich.

Open days taking place Saturday 4th July amongst others, click [here](#) to see dates available and to book.

Open Days with York St John University

During an Open Day, you'll be able to explore our campus, meet our staff and students, and learn everything you need to know about your future university.

You can get to know our community and ethos, take tours of campus and visit accommodation sites, chat to academic and support staff, and lots more!

Taking place Tuesday 30th June 9.15am to 3.30pm, click [here](#) to book

Saturday 15th August 2026 9.15am to 3.30pm, click [here](#) to book.



Questions? Email us at students@stem.org.uk

DESTINATION

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[Click here to find out more and check your eligibility.](#)

The **RESEARCH PLACEMENTS AND EXPERIENCES** programme offers students invaluable hands-on, real-world experience, enhancing employability and academic prospects.

Benefits include improved skills, increased confidence, professional networking, and better understanding of career pathways.








Are you available for 2 weeks from 20th July 2026?

Destination STEM are offering multiple exciting 2-week summer placements at the University of Lincoln.

Analysis of financial data in stock markets.	How scientists predict climate change impacts	Using drone technology to study environmental and agricultural changes.
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This programme gives Year 12 students the opportunity to:

-  Take part in a supervised research project in a STEM subject.
-  Gain hands-on experience working with university researchers
-  Experience what studying and conducting research at university level is really like
-  Strengthen your personal statement, CV, and future university applications
-  Receive £135 per week whilst on placement.

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OPEN DAYS 2026

FRIDAY 19 JUNE
SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER
FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER
SATURDAY 14 NOVEMBER

Register now at
ljmu.ac.uk/opendays



Join us on Campus

Our open days provide the perfect opportunity to see our campus facilities and explore your options.

- Attend subject sessions to find out about the courses that interest you
- Explore our fantastic campus facilities
- Chat to staff and current students
- Receive information from our experts on all aspects of life at LJMU, from funding advice and student support to accommodation and opportunities to work or study abroad
- View our range of accommodation to see where you could be living
- Discover Liverpool on a guided city tour



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Year 12 Residential Summer School

Tuesday 7 to Friday 10 July 2026

Discover university life on our 4 day and 3 night residential at York St John University. Stay in university accommodation and experience academic subject taster sessions. This is a free event, with the cost of all transport, catering and activities covered by York St John. Subject strands for 2026 will include:

- **Business**
- **Criminology and Sociology**
- **English Literature and Creative Writing**
- **Geography**
- **Health**
- **Performance**

This event is open to first year sixth form or college students and priority places will be given to students from backgrounds that have traditionally been underrepresented in higher education.

To secure your place, visit our website here:

yorks.ac.uk/discover-ysj

If you have any queries, contact
wp@yorks.ac.uk

This year we are offering a limited number of commuter places for students who live locally in York and would like to take part in Discover YSJ without staying overnight.

**Scan the QR
code to apply for
your place**



Please note that to take part you must be under 18 at the time of the residential



Leeds Trinity
University



POST-16 SUMMER SCHOOL

Are you a post-16 student who is interested in studying at Leeds Trinity University?

Do you want to get a taste of life at university?



Leeds Trinity University Post-16 Summer School:

- **Wednesday 8 July – Thursday 9 July 2026**
- For students in their first year of a Level 3 qualification e.g., Year 12s, Year 1 College students
- Free university accommodation, travel, food and entertainment
- Engage with current students
- To see if you are eligible and register your interest for the residential, please scan the QR code below or email SROhello@leedstrinity.ac.uk

Hear what last year's attendees said about our Post-16 Summer School:

“Not just information but fun”.

“The people are pretty incredible and unique”.

“Really topped all expectations - I loved it”.



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