



Careers Newsletter

April 2021

This months' offering is, as always, full of Virtual Work Experience, Uni Virtual Info Sessions and Apprenticeship Info. If you have any questions or anything you'd like to be included then email amy.sutcliffe@utcreading.org.uk.

General

Young Enterprise Finance & Enterprise Toolkits: Young Enterprise have recently launched the Lockdown Learning Campaign, which gives you information on all their free Finance and Enterprise Education Toolkits to use at home and in school. Click [here](#) to have a look.

22nd April, 10–11am – HSBC Webinar: How to be the best you?

An exploration of the different type of interviews, alongside their purposes. This will cover what signs to look for, and how you can maximise your chances at success. We will also include different tips and tricks from an employer's perspective to give you an insight into what is looked for.

Register for this webinar:

https://hsbc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cbg82vsMSkWt2ztQtAKLUQ

Interesting Articles -

Self Promotion: As a follow up from International Women's Day I thought the following article was an interesting look at how important self promotion can be for your career: <https://www.bbc.com/worklife/article/20210317-why-self-promotion-doesnt-have-to-be-taboo>

Shorter Working Week: How would you feel about working a 4 day week on full pay? The call for a shorter working week is trending – and both employers and employees are behind it, a [LinkedIn Talent Blog](#) article. Read more [here](#).

NCS Summer Programmes 2021: If you want to make this summer one you'll never forget, get yourself on NCS. Spots are open now! Sign up for big lols, new pals, and experiences that'll show you just what you're made of. For more information you can watch the following videos:

South East Team Teaser Video: <https://bit.ly/3blEbjf>

National NCS Trust Youth Led

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DeR4VNg6YqI>

Or click [here](#).

University Information

Last week was Uni Week Live, where many Universities organised events to provide information and resources about studying at University. The **University of Portsmouth** has made all of their events for Uni Week Live available as recordings, so have a look [here](#) for what went on.

Sport Science Webinars from University of Portsmouth. Sport Science covers many elements of elite sport. And we've got 4 exciting webinars for your students, exploring key curriculum topics for Biology and PE A Levels and BTEC Sport. You'll gain the knowledge needed to understand and enhance athletic performance and sporting success, and see where studying a Sport and Exercise Science degree could take them, with a chance to quiz students and academics. Visit this link with them to register once for all 4 sessions: <http://uni.port.ac.uk/gs-sport-science>

Webinars from University of Hertfordshire:

30th March, 4-5pm –Student Panel 'Student Life: My University Experience'. Hear from our student panel and have your questions answered.

31st March, 5-6pm –Geography Taster Lecture. Climate change and human impacts on landslides in Britain.

31st March, 7-8pm – 'Not all journeys to university are the same' Rachel shares her not so traditional experience.

To find out more and book your place click [here](#).

Deadline 28th March: University of Surrey Year 12 Virtual Taster Days: FREE

Interactive, information filled subject-specific events running through Easter and May Half Term. Year 12 Students will:

- Learn from prominent University of Surrey academics.
- Find out how to prepare to apply and study their chosen subject at university.
- Talk with current undergraduate students studying to find out what its really like to study at University.

Deadline for applications to April events: Sunday 28 March 2021

To find out more and to apply visit www.surrey.ac.uk/tasterdays

Swansea University Mathematics Webinars: Calculating Your Future:

- 23rd March, 5pm: *The Places You Will Go With University Mathematics.* Dr Randall Wright
- 30th March, 5pm: *Mathematical models of infectious diseases with applications to Covid-19 pandemic.* Prof Biagio Lucini
- 6th April, 5pm: *Adventures in algebra with fruit.* Prof Jeffrey Giansiracusa
- 13th April, 5pm: *Convexity and image processing.* Prof Elaine Crooks
- 20th April, 5pm: *Probability, towards infinity.* Prof Eugene Lytvynov
- 27th April, 5pm: *Geometry and Combinatorics.* Dr Nelly Villamizar
- 4th May, 5pm: *Can we divide by 0 or can the sum of two odd numbers be odd.* Professor Tomasz Brzezinski

Register [here](#).

Virtual Work Experience

InvestIN Summer Internships. Are you looking for a face to face opportunity to gain work experience this summer? Have a look at what InvestIN have to offer. The internships offer the ultimate work experience: site visits, networking time, career coaching and much more – all with top industry professionals. There are lots of different programmes to choose from so have a look [here](#).

[NextGen Nurse - Meet the people behind the masks](#)

Date: 20 April 2021.

Eligibility: 14 – 19 year interested in helping to save and improve people's lives.

Application Deadline: 29 March 2021

Law Virtual Work Experience: Browne Jacobson are a top 50 law firm with offices all over the UK and revenues of £50million. These two days in the Easter Holidays are going to provide students with a really great insight into how a law firm works and makes money, the different departments they have, and an opportunity to talk with lots of different solicitors.

Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th April, 9am - 4pm each day

Open to all Y11, S4, Y12 / S5, Y13 / S6, Y14 & college students

FREE opportunity but limited spaces

Application Link: <https://www.research.net/r/Law-WEX>

Springpod Virtual Work Experience Offerings: Springpod has some great opportunities on offer for Virtual Work Experience. Their website has an updated list of live placements, so take a look [here](#) for placements with Siemens, on Journalism, Marketing, Law, Finance, Engineering and Medicine and many many more.

12th/13th April – GP Live. The Easter break is almost here. Easter is also a great opportunity for aspiring medical students to get some medical work experience which is essential for their Medicine applications. Students must be aged 15+. You can register for the GP Live course here: <https://educationprojects.co.uk/medical-projects/gp-live/>

Work Experience @ Microsoft: Students in years 9 & 10 will be able to gain valuable insights about what Microsoft does, what roles the company has to offer for those in early-in-careers and have the opportunity to engage with Xbox Academy hosted by the Microsoft Experience Centre to learn more about the fascinating world of game development. A fully virtual set-up will allow students to access our Work Experience Week from either classrooms or the comfort of their own home. In the 4-day program, each student will complete:
An overview of video games development and deep dive into games industry roles, as part of Xbox Academy; Industry work experience activities; LinkedIn profile building sessions; Various Early-in-Career activities; Interview skills workshops. **More details on this opportunity will be released soon – watch this space!**

An insight into St. James's Place Wealth Management: Thursday 8th, Friday 9th, Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th April (9:00 - 16:00 each day). Great opportunity for those interested in a career in the financial sector (cyber, technology, HR, marketing, investments & more). Presentation on SJP's heritage; A day in the life of an SJP partner; Variety of presentations and interactive sessions to learn more about the industry; Opportunity to ask questions; **FREE event** (limited places, first come first serve). **Application Link:** <https://www.research.net/r/SJP-Virtual-WEX>

Apprenticeship Information

Opportunities at HSBC:

HSBC Foundation Apprenticeship opportunities are live now, all available opportunities can be found and applied to [here](#).

HSBC Degree Apprenticeships opportunities are live now, and application can be made via our [UK Apprenticeships](#) page.

If you missed the International Women's Day event with the Royal Air Force (RAF)

highlighting the incredible apprenticeship and career opportunities available then the recordings and slides are available to watch [here](#). You will hear from Ambassadors and recruitment staff from different areas of the RAF talking about their experiences, what life is like working for the RAF and why they chose the RAF as an employer. If you have any questions you would like to put to the RAF team, please send them to: hello@amazingapprenticeships.com.

Deadline 28th March: Apprenticeships at Siemens. Advanced and Degree Apprenticeships. More info [here](#).

29th March: EY Apprenticeships and Your Wellbeing, is taking place on **Monday 29 March 2021, from 5:00pm - 6:30pm.** We're excited to announce that we'll be joined by A&E TV Doctor, **Dr. Alex George**, who will be talking to us about the importance of looking after our mental health. Dr. Alex has recently been appointed by Prime Minister Boris Johnson as Youth Mental Health Ambassador, so this is a topic he's truly passionate about. We'll be running this session as a Q&A and taking questions from the audience. We'll also cover a quick introduction to EY and then hear from some of our current apprentices about how they manage their wellbeing at work, with tips on how they stay resilient.

Application Link:

<https://www.research.net/r/DrAlex-29th-March>

Deadline 31st March: Apprenticeship Opportunities at Mazars. At Mazars we understand that everyone's career aspirations are different; our job is to give you the tools and support you need to achieve your ambitions, whatever they may be. As a globally integrated partnership, the opportunities to build and develop your career are infinite. Whether that's gaining exposure to different types of clients or learning new skills, we can open doors to make your years at Mazars, years that count. See available roles [here](#).

Deadline 6th April: IT Technical Sales Apprenticeship in Tech Data. Advanced Apprenticeship in Basingstoke. For more info click [here](#).

The Spring season of **Apprentice Nation** is launching soon, featuring top UK music artists and industry experts from the worlds of tech, creative, finance, health, media and more. Apprentice Nation creates engaging content to inspire students in their career search; with on-demand videos and live events that empower and motivate, as well as supporting wellbeing and awareness of important inclusion topics. There's even the chance to earn rewards, including hanging out with an artist from the latest show or booking a 1:1 mentor session with an inspirational industry leader. Find out more by emailing hello@apprenticenation.co.uk

Deadline: Ongoing – Apprenticeship at Boeing: Aircraft Maintenance Technician Apprenticeship. Location: Salisbury. For more info and to apply click [here](#).

Deadline: Ongoing – Apprenticeships at Unilever. Unilever is a global fast-moving consumer goods company and is one of the world's leading suppliers of Beauty & Personal Care, Home Care, and Foods & Refreshment products, reaching 2.5 billion consumers a day. Unilever has more than 400 brands found in homes all over the world, including Persil, Dove, PG Tips & Magnum. Our apprenticeship opportunities are available across Business & Technology, Research & Development and Engineering. [View all roles](#)

Deadline: Ongoing – Apprenticeships at Aldi: With over 200 Apprenticeship opportunities available across the UK, we're not like other retailers. So, it's no surprise that our Apprenticeship Programmes are a bit different, too. But you do need lots of drive, ambition and real commitment to succeed. While it can be hard work, it's also incredibly rewarding. Find out more [here](#).

Deadline: Ongoing – Apprenticeships at IBM: You'll work on real projects, with real clients and real bottom-line deliverables. IBMers have the support of over 380,000 colleagues worldwide and work for leaders who reward diverse thinking and bold ideas. [View all roles](#)

Deadline: Ongoing – Apprenticeships at Virgin Media: At Virgin Media we have loads of great apprenticeship opportunities that cover all sorts of roles across our business, so whether you want to work on a more technical, engineering or business side of our business there's a scheme for you. Each of our schemes lets you 'learn while you earn' by gaining first-hand experience through exposure to our leading business practices and being paid a decent wage while you're at it! You can apply using [our application portal](#).

Martin Baker Apprenticeships: Working at Martin-Baker is a unique experience – after all, we're the world leader in the manufacture of aircrew escape and safety systems. Click [here](#) for details on our Apprenticeship schemes and kickstart your career.

There'll be more in the May Edition of the ALET Careers Newsletters! Tune back in next month.