



We ask students and their parents to research fully any opportunities advertised in the bulletin to ensure they are happy with the organisation they are linking with and its value for money if there is a cost.



Key: If the year group is highlighted, the information applies to students in that group

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WES Apprentice Showcase – Session Recordings		
<p>The recordings of the sessions from national apprenticeship week are now available and can be found on the YouTube channel below. You will also find some videos from last year's showcase, and we will be adding to the videos over the next couple of months.</p> <p>To access the videos, click here (links to an external website).</p>		
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University: Widening Participation (some of the criteria universities use to assess eligibility are: household income, receipt of free-school meals/sixth form bursary, first generation in a family to attend university and living in an area with low progression rates to university). Schemes often result in students receiving a slightly lower offer from the university.

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University: Super-curricular

You may be interested in these upcoming events.

Please note: We have been asked by the universities to share their outreach activities with you. To find out more about a university use university league tables and to research the course area you are interested in at a specific university use <https://discoveruni.gov.uk/> where the views from the most recent graduates on their degree experience have been sought.

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Newcastle University - STEM

If you're looking to study medicine or dentistry, Newcastle University is offering application preparation sessions:

- Applying to Medicine and Dentistry - April 3rd, 4pm-5pm
- Personal Statements Workshop - April 4th, 4pm-5pm
- UCAT Preparation Workshop - April 5th, 4pm-5pm
- Applying to Medicine and Dentistry - May 3rd, 4pm-5pm
- Personal Statements Workshop - May 4th, 4pm-5pm
- Personal Statements Workshop - May 4th, 4pm-5pm
- UCAT Preparation Workshop - June 22nd, 4pm-5pm
- UCAT Preparation Workshop - July 26th, 4pm-5pm

To register your interest, click [here](#).

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Newcastle University – STEM – Zoom/in person

Date: Tuesday 14th March

Time: 9.30am – 12.00pm

First year students studying for our MCs Clinical Science are hosting a 'Scientific Careers in the NHS Event' during Healthcare Science Week. The event is designed to promote the amazing work within healthcare science.

To register your interest, click [here](#).

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Newcastle University – Women and Girls into Engineering Event

Date: 8th March

Time: 12.30 – 15.00

Location: The Boiler House, Newcastle University

This event aims to give insight into how women engineers at Newcastle University are making a difference and how you could be part of the future of engineering.

To register your interest, click [here](#).

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University of Nottingham - Aerospace Engineering: What Is Astrodynamics?

Date: 7th March

Time: 13.00 – 13.45

In the aerospace engineering session with Dr Nishanth Pushparaj from the University of Nottingham, we're looking forward to exploring astrodynamics and the application of mathematical models and physical principles to

understand and predict the motion of artificial objects in space, including spacecraft, satellites, and space probes.

Nishanth will interactively explain how we predict the behaviour of these man-made objects in space to inform space flight and mission design. This is a great opportunity for physics and engineering students to see how the laws and principles they are currently studying are applied at the cutting edge of space exploration.

To register, click [here](#).

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Newcastle University – Bitesize Uni

Dates: 18th – 21st July

Deadline for applications: 12th March at 18.00

Bitesize Uni (BSU) is our free residential summer school for students in **year 12/first-year college** (or equivalent in Northern Ireland and Scotland). You can join us and get all the information you need to:

- **Make an informed decision** about whether or not you want to go to university.
- **Try out subjects** you might want to study.
- **Experience student life**, live in Newcastle University accommodation.
- **Explore the city of Newcastle** and find out whether it's a good fit for you.
- **Meet new people**, get to know current University students, and other year 12 students from around the UK.

During the summer school, there will be a wide range of academic subject taster sessions, workshops, and talks for you to experience. Our aim is to give you the motivation to achieve your goals and the confidence to apply to university.

BSU is **completely free to attend**. Everything is paid for by the University, **including your travel** to and from Newcastle upon Tyne

To apply, click [here](#).

Apprenticeships (remember to check <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/> regularly and any employers, such as the NHS, who you are particularly interested in working for).

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Close Brothers – Banking and Finance

This is an exciting school leaver opportunity in Banking & Finance at Close Brothers. The Aspire School Leavers programme is a two-year rotational programme and is now taking applications for a September intake.

Applications close: 12th March at 11.59pm

Our ASPIRE programme provides an opportunity for school leavers to start their careers in professional, challenging and fast paced businesses.

The programme is a structured yet tailor-made, two-year rotational scheme with placements in two business areas within our Banking division. ASPIRE trainees join various teams and departments; progressing quickly to work on the front-line handling customer queries and gaining experience with successful sales teams. Learning is very much on the job with supportive teams and mentors. We also provide full sponsorship to complete an apprenticeship.

Applicants must have obtained GCSE grade C / 4 in Maths and English Language or BTEC Level 2 and predicted/achieved minimum A-level grades B,B,C or 112 UCAS points at A-level/AS Level (not inclusive of General Studies).

Location: Applicants must be mobile and willing to move to where the best placement opportunities are; some examples of popular locations include Wimbledon, London, Chester, Doncaster, Hove, Manchester and Burton on Trent. Close Brothers is here to support that transition and provide a mobility allowance in order to assist with re-location where required (see associated benefits).

Salary and Benefits

Starting salary in year 1 is £22,000 per annum increasing to £23,000 in year 2 plus a competitive benefits package including eligibility for a discretionary annual bonus, a mobility allowance of up to £5k per annum (to support a move out of current location/home to take up a placement in another part of the UK), private health care, a cycle to work scheme, season ticket loan, pension and life assurance and more.

To apply, click [here](#).

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Careers and Work Experience

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EA Ski & Snowboard

If you're looking to start a career in the snow industry, or want to take a gap year, applications are now open for EA instructor internships, which start in November/December 2023. The EA instructor internship has been operating for more than 15 years and students have 27 destinations to choose from across 5 different countries. With a 99% pass rate maintained each season AND a guaranteed job offer, it is a great career pathway program. On the instructor internship students will receive expert training, gain their level 1 ski or snowboard instructor qualification, and get a guaranteed paid job offer with the ski school of their choice.

The course includes:

- Expert instructor training
- A guaranteed paid job offer as an instructor
- Accommodation
- Internationally recognised qualifications.

Program requirements:

- Intermediate to advanced riding ability
- Genuine interest in snow sports
- Positive attitude and good work ethic
- Ability to work as part of a team
- 18 years of age by November 2023.

To learn more or to apply, click [here](#).

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National Careers Week – Aspire

When: 6th-10th March

The [Aspire](#) Webinar Series is a series of free-to-attend webinars designed to support state school students across the UK to explore their career and further education options. Throughout the week, Aspire will be celebrating National Careers Week by offering free daily webinars on different career pathways. The industries covered will be tech & engineering, accountancy & professional services, banking & finance, the public sector and law.

Attendees will get an introduction to each sector, and the chance to ask questions to a panel of professionals currently working in that industry. The panel will also describe how they got into their field and impart knowledge about how to successfully pursue a career in their sector, providing a great opportunity to achieve [Gatsby Benchmark 5](#).

- 28th February – Careers in the charity sector
- 6th March – Tech & engineering careers
- 7th March – Accountancy & professional services careers
- 8th March – Banking & finance careers
- 9th March – Government & public sector careers
- 10th March – Law careers
- 14th March – Science-based careers
- 18th April – Applying to Oxbridge
- 25th April – How to get work experience over summer
- 2nd May – Media & journalism careers

- 9th May – Choosing the right university for you
- 21st August – Preparing for life at university

To register for one of the events, click [here](#).

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Norton Rose Fulbright's Virtual Experience Programme

Norton Rose Fulbright are committed to providing the highest standard of legal services while also maintaining a safe and collaborative environment for all of our employees. During this programme, you will have the opportunity to see what it is like to be a lawyer at the firm. You will learn first-hand how to tackle the tasks you would encounter as an apprentice, trainee, or junior lawyer at our firm and gain critical skills along the way. This programme is tailored to school leavers and above.

The programme takes 5 hours to complete and **can be used as one of your work experience days** in work experience week.

To learn more, and to apply, click [here](#).

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Burnetts Solicitors – work experience

A work experience scheme at a Newcastle law firm, which has previously seen applicants rise through the ranks, is now looking for new students to apply. Burnetts at Dean Street, Newcastle has been running its innovative scheme for more than 20 years and it is now offering places on the programme to year 12 and 13 students. The scheme has helped many current lawyers take the first steps towards their chosen career, with many of Burnetts' Associates, Senior Associates and three current Partners joining the firm through it.

Successful applicants get one week's experience working across five departments, along with receiving a £25 book token. Those who are invited back can return the following year for more experience – and another book token. Anyone who then goes on to study for a law degree will get the opportunity to apply for paid summer work and to apply for a period of qualifying work experience and, if successful, complete their qualifications as a solicitor. The work experience scheme gives young people hands-on skills and experience and a real insight into how each department – and the firm overall – operates. Students are assigned a mentor who guide them through the process and will regularly check in with them.

To learn more, click [here](#).

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