



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

Notices

Social Mobility Foundation

For Parents/Carers & Students

Each year we promote the Social Mobility Foundation, who aim to help students overcome any socio-economic barriers they might face when aiming for a professional career. The scheme support students through: **mentoring, work experience, university application support** and **skills workshops**. Their support starts in Year 12 and carries on right through to graduate employment.

A representative from the foundation will come into school to explain a little about the two schemes they offer on Wednesday 27th September, 12:30 to 1pm. If you are in receipt of free school meals and your GCSE grades look strong enough to be eligible for one of the programmes on offer, you will be invited to attend the short introductory session. Lunch will be provided.

In the introduction they will:

- Explain eligibility criteria to new Year 12 students
- Give an overview of support and opportunities on offer
- Explain the application process.

To be eligible for our programmes, every young person must:

- have completed their GCSEs at a non-selective state school
- be studying for their A levels or Highers at a non-selective state school
- be in the first year of their A level studies
- meet the academic requirements for the programmes, based on their GCSEs

If young people meet the above, they then must meet one of the criteria in option A, or two in option B:

Option A	Option B
Be care experienced	Be in the first generation of their family to attend university
Be in receipt of free school meals	Have a household income of £45,000 or lower
	Their highest earning parent is in a low or middle skilled job, or is unemployed

There are two levels of programme which have different academic criteria:

- Have achieved at least 4 x grade 7s (or above) for the Aspire Programme
- Have achieved at least 4 x grade 5s (or above) for the Reach Programme

If you would like to attend, please email Joanne on Sixthform@gehs.net with any dietary requirements.

HMS Reading Volunteers

Hexham Middle School are looking for sixth formers to support pupils in their library with with reading fluency. If this is something you are interested in helping with, please click [here](#) and fill out the form by Wednesday 27 September.

Personal Development

Thursday 28 September

Year 12 Safer driving and being a safe passenger with Northumberland Fire & Rescue

Year 13 Small group of students who have signed up for soft skills workshop

Sixth Form Student Leadership Team

Deadline for expression of interest by Friday 29 September please.

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.*

Teesside University Residential 25 – 27 October 2023

Teesside University's October residential is now live and accepting applications. The residential is available to year 13 or year 12 students thinking about applying to a university for September 24 entry. Students must live 25 miles or more away from Teesside University to apply.

There are 10 places per subject area:

- Cyber security
- Education
- Graphic design
- Learning disabilities and mental health nursing
- Tourism and marketing

The key facts:

- free two nights' accommodation at a nearby hotel
- all meals and social activities are free
- 8 hours academic contact time
- a travel reimbursement of up to £50 is available
- it's brilliant experience on a student's personal statement
- a fantastic taster of university life
- students attend as individuals, not part of a school/college/VI form visit.

For more information and to apply please visit the website: <https://www.tees.ac.uk/residential/>

Channel Talent Talks

Geography: Global Commons with Glasgow & UEA - 9 October

On 9th October we are delighted to welcome Chris Philo, Professor in the School of Geographical and Earth Sciences at University of Glasgow, and Neil Ward, Professor in the School of Environmental Sciences at University of East Anglia, to discuss The Global Commons.

Chris will begin by introducing the concept of 'the commons', discussing its historical roots and threats and referencing the experience in Britain and its former colonies. Chris will move on to look at what happens when people start to be denied access to common resources.

Neil will then consider the food system and the global commons, talking about how countries are committing to protect the commons through the Paris Agreement, with a particular focus on the food system and using the UK as an example to show the scale of change that this would mean in practice.

- **October 9 @ 16:15 - 17:15 insight4me Geography: Global Commons with Glasgow & UEA (KS5) [Find out more »](#) [NEW]**

General or Specialised Engineering at Uni? University Insights for KS5 - Sheffield & Nottingham - 10 October

On 10th October, we welcome sixth form students interested in Engineering and contemplating, 'Should I do a General Engineering course or should I specialise?'

In this session we will focus on both general and specialised Engineering degrees and how students might navigate the wealth of opportunities to make a decision that is right for them.

We will be joined by Dr David Hargreaves from the Faculty of Engineering at Nottingham and Dr Andy Nichols from The University of Sheffield, along with undergraduates, who will discuss the academic content of their modules, bring to life how undergraduates are taught, and explore the question of general versus specialised.

- **October 10 @ 16:15 - 17:15 Engineering - General vs Specialism - University Insights - Sheffield & Nottingham (KS5)** [Find out more »](#)

Discover Durham Live

Do you students want to know more about what life is like at Durham?

We'd like to invite you to join us for our new Discover Durham Live virtual series. This is a **virtual** opportunity for them to learn more about what Durham has to offer.

Our current students will share their own experiences with them, our future students! We're covering everything from colleges to sports and societies to how to start preparing for university. They'll also have the chance to ask all your questions.

Sessions include: Applying to Durham, My Experience at Durham and Durham Colleges.

For more information and to book, please click [here](#)

See Yourself in SODA Competition – 2023

A chance to display your work in the physical and virtual exhibition spaces of the School of Digital Arts (SODA) at Manchester Metropolitan University.

Theme: Art & Activism

This year the competition is about Activism in Art. Activism is a powerful tool in art – it can help us to communicate complex ideas and emotions, challenge our perceptions and beliefs and inspire us to think differently about different issues.

We are looking for new, original pieces of work that explore the theme in an innovative way.

At the end of the competition window, entries will be judged by our SODA panel of experts who will select the finalists.

Your work, our space. Show us what you've got!

For more information, please click [here](#)

The deadline for entries is 6 November 2023

Mini-Medical School – Newcastle University

Explore the exciting world of Medical Science. Our Mini-Medical School runs every autumn and is open to anyone aged 15 and over.

The programme offers the public the chance to find out about exciting topics. This includes current research developments at the University.

Previous programmes have covered a range of exciting topics, including:

anaesthetics
dermatology
emergency medicine
medical scanning technology
psychology
pharmacy
sport and exercise science

Times and dates

The Mini Medical School will be delivered online via Zoom.

Evening lectures will run on Thursdays 6-7pm:

02, 09, 16, 23 and 30 November 2023

We will also be running an additional "Applying to Medicine" session on 07 December.

For more information, please click [here](#)

Undergraduate Open Days 2023 – Newcastle University

Registrations are open for our on campus Open Days. Come and visit us in person on:

- Saturday 30 September
- Saturday 18 November

Our campus will be open **9am-4pm** and you will be able to:

- join **subject sessions** and meet with **academics**
- visit our **accommodation**
- explore **subject stands, student life hub** our **sports centre** and **libraries**
- get a real taste for **campus life** on a **student-led campus** and **Students' Union tour**
- find out what it's like to be a **student at Newcastle** from our **Student Guides**

For more information, please 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).

Metal Fabricator Apprenticeship IMPRESS NORTH EAST LTD, RYTON

What will the apprentice be doing?

- The broad purpose of the occupation is to carry out metal fabrication work using steel plate and metal sheet
- The Fabricator apprentice will work alone or in teams in the factory
- The Fabricator apprentice will use a large range of metals including steel, aluminium and titanium at a range of thicknesses from 0.5mm up to over 20mm
- In their daily work, the apprentice will interact with planners, supervisors, inspectors, designers, welders, and many others involved in manufacturing
- The fabricator apprentice will be responsible for the quality and accuracy of their own work whilst ensuring it conforms to a relevant specification such as an engineering drawing
- The Fabricator apprentice will be responsible for the health, safety and environmental (HS&E) protection of themselves and others around them

What training will the apprentice take and what qualification will the apprentice get at the end?

- Practical training in the college workshops for 25 weeks
- Level 3 Diploma in Advanced Manufacturing Engineering (Development Knowledge)
- 2 years 1 day per week
- End Point Assessment

For more information, please click [here](#)

Careers and Work Experience

Premed Projects Work Experience for Medicine

A free 5-week course for all students aged 14-18 interested in healthcare complete with a work experience certificate.

Perfect for all students aged 14-18 interested in Biology, Science, healthcare and of course those considering careers in medicine.

Students can join our doctors live and online every Monday at 7.30pm BST in October as they go through interactive real-life patient cases from symptoms, diagnosis and treatment.

Students that cannot attend live will have access to the recordings to watch for 30 days afterwards when they have time.

All of our doctors work in busy NHS hospitals so this is a unique opportunity to learn more about healthcare and gain some fantastic material to use in med school applications and to talk about at interview as verified work experience.

Students just need to visit www.premedprojects.co.uk/free-online-work-experience-sessions where they will be able to sign up for the course.

Law Work Experience at Muckle LLP

Are you looking forward to a career in law? Stand out with relevant work experience!

The Inspiring Careers Programme is a work experience week designed to help you see what a career in law is like and become more employable if you decide it's the right path for you.

Since getting a job in law can be very competitive, doing work experience now will help you stand out in the future. We've been running the Inspiring Careers Programme at Muckle LLP for 11 years now, and we're getting pretty good at making your week interesting, varied and fun.

When the time comes to apply for your dream job, your week of on-the-job learning at our highly successful law firm will set you apart. Your week will be a real insight into life at a law firm; you'll be part of the team of solicitors and support staff working on real legal matters.

The programme is limited to just 8 students, so you'll get all the attention you need from our friendly team. We encourage you to get involved and ask any questions you want.

While you're here you'll gain practical experience working in our lively office and learn first-hand how different roles in the legal profession work together. Our team will show you how the wider business operates and talk about the different routes into a job in law and afterwards, ongoing mentoring can be arranged.

To download an application pack, please click [here](#) To watch the launch video on YouTube, please click [here](#)

Application deadline – 30 September 2023

NHS Healthcare Careers Virtual Work Experience

Follow multiple patients over a 6-month period, as they go from their initial injury to recovery. It is amazing how many different healthcare professionals are involved in a patient's care. This incredible opportunity showcases a variety of professionals in one day. It gives students a chance to see them in action in various settings from the ward to the community. It is also a fantastic opportunity to see them work together in a multidisciplinary team.

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. Students will observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and also each other. Students will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching. This will help students to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team. Each work experience day is completely different and students will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and their healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community. For this reason we recommend that students attend one work experience a month for 6 months to not only gain a deeper knowledge of multidisciplinary teams in general but also their chosen careers.

Allied Healthcare Mentor are committed to ensuring that students still have the opportunity to gain valuable insight into healthcare careers, even in these difficult times.

For more information, please click [here](#)