

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

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OPPORTUNITIES



On December 17th join Dr Lowri Ann Rees for a festive online taster session exploring the origins of familiar traditions and learn how history shaped the way we celebrate today. [Register here](#).



“On Campus with... History” with Dr Emily Stiles. In this podcast Dr Emily and hosts from the Uni of Winchester discuss museum culture and representation and public history. [Listen here](#).



The Uni of Bristol Virtual Summer School will take place in May 2026. The 3 day event comprises academic talks, social sessions, and information, advice and guidance. The summer school runs online from 10 am to 5 pm on the 27th - 29th May (inclusive). Applications open early 2026 - [register here](#).



[World Human Rights Day](#) happens on the 10th December and the theme is “Our Everyday Essentials” which aims to show how human rights are a part of daily life. By bridging the gap between human rights principles and everyday experiences, we aim to spark awareness, inspire confidence and encourage collective action.



History Subject Spotlight with the Uni of Birmingham - In this experience, you'll explore how the US South is not just a place but a cultural and political concept shaped by slavery, segregation, and media. [Get started here](#).



[Careers in Heritage with Historic England](#). Discover Historic England's career areas and pathways, and gain insights into life at the company through activities, quizzes, and interactive content.



The Document Services department of the National Archives offers a 5 day placement scheme to young people aged 14 to 18. Spaces for our 2026 Work Experience Programme will open on Monday 12th January 2026 - [click here](#) for more information.

JOB OF THE WEEK



[Historian](#)

Historians devote their careers to studying notable past events, such as military conflicts, political milestones, and social movements. They work in universities and other educational settings, as well as for various public, private and nonprofits. Their efforts make it possible for individuals and societies to learn from history in order to chart a better course for the future.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Learner participation in Apprenticeships in 2024/25 increased by 3.4% to 761,480 compared to 736,530 the previous year.

Under 19s accounted for 21.2% (74,990) and learners recorded as having a learning difficulty or disability increased by 6.9%, to 56,810 from 53,150
[Source](#)

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Join this 2-day online experience (10th and 11th February) to meet apprentices from different industries and job roles, to get an understanding of what an apprenticeship is, how apprentices learn on the job and why they believe apprenticeships are an excellent pathway into the world of work. [Deadline for applications](#) is 14th January.



Practise video interview responses and get direct feedback on delivery, structure, and tone. Learn how to perform naturally and confidently in online interviews used by top employers for degree apprenticeships. View other Masterclasses and [register here](#).



Festival of Apprenticeships - Online Careers Fair 2026. This FREE online event is a one-stop shop for anyone looking to learn more about apprenticeships. The event will cover everything from discovering opportunities with organisations first-hand and guidance on how to apply for and make the most of an apprenticeship! [Save your spot](#).



Don't let writer's block hold you back—join us and get the support you need to make your Personal Statement stand out. In [this webinar](#) on 13th January, get expert tips on crafting a standout Personal Statement that grabs attention.



10 money tips for starting uni or college - No matter how excited you are about studying at university and building your long-term future, day-to-day money planning helps you feel in control. [Read these tips from UCAS](#).



Want to figure out your dream career, including what options are available to you after graduating and how to choose the right graduate role? Check out [this advice](#) from Target Jobs.



21st January Free Webinar: What is Higher Education? Useful information for Parents and Carers covering the basics of higher education and university-level study, explaining key opportunities, terminology, and timelines to consider. [Book here](#).

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"The UK's archives are vital record keepers of the country's history, enabling us to re-visit and learn about crucial events, stories, and moments from all corners of our communities.

At The National Archives, we believe in making the archive sector as inclusive and accessible as possible so that anyone who wants to embark on a rewarding career in archives is able to do so." Find out more [here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"At the University of Exeter we combine teaching excellence and high levels of student satisfaction with world class research at our campuses in Exeter and Cornwall. We are a member of the Russell Group of leading research-intensive universities. Our success is built on a strong partnership with our students and a clear focus on high performance." Read more [here](#).

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This newsletter aims to support you when thinking about your future and provide you with access to resources that will help you to learn more about different industries and pathways. Please use the links included to read more information. Links are underlined.



SOMETHING TO...

DO

Can you guess the job these people do from the GCSEs they took? Take a look this quiz and see if you can guess what jobs people do simply by finding out about what they studied.



LISTEN TO

Chloé Fuller turned her love for dogs into a job as an animal nutritionist! Listen here for tips on how to identify your passions and transform them into a career you'll love.



READ

Emma Rosen, "career happiness expert", author and Chief Operating Officer of a careers-tech start-up, gives her six top tips for getting virtual work experience.



WATCH

My Career as a Chef: Deliciously Dyslexic. Inspirational talk with Private Chef, Nick Jaye. Friday 16th January - 10:00 - 11:00.

Register for the talk here



SPOTLIGHT ON A...

UNIVERSITY

"The University of Portsmouth are focused on building an inclusive culture – different voices, one community – that makes a positive difference to the lives and experiences of our students and staff. We are determined to create a community based on dignity and respect where everyone is able to thrive and reflect our University values to be ambitious, open and responsible."

Find out more here.

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"Inclusion and Diversity is the beating heart of Kantar. An inclusive culture is fundamental to our people's success. We want everyone to feel free to bring their authentic selves to work and be empowered to succeed. We know that through accepting and appreciating the diversity of our individual experiences, we can continue to lead the pack when it comes to data, insights, and consulting."

Read more here.



If you see a word you don't understand, you can use this jargon buster to search and find out what it means. If you can't find the word on there, you can use the internet to research the meaning or speak to a teacher.

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WORD OF THE WEEK

Independent Study

Learning without the presence of a member of teaching staff, e.g. reading, researching and completing assignments.

A FACT ABOUT EMPLOYMENT



In 2024, 87.6% of working age (16-64 years old) graduates (a graduate is someone who has completed degree level study) were in employment compared to 68.0% of non-graduates.

67.9% of working age (16-64 years old) graduates were in high-skilled employment compared to 23.7% of non-graduates.

Source

SUCCESS STORIES

Temple Grandin, a professor of animal science and autism advocate, transformed livestock handling systems worldwide.

Diagnosed with autism at a young age, Grandin faced challenges related to sensory sensitivities and social communication difficulties.

Despite these obstacles, her innovative thinking led to the development of more humane livestock facilities, revolutionizing practices in animal welfare and autism awareness.

Grandin's career includes extensive research, teaching, and advocacy work that continues to influence both the agriculture industry and autism community.

Her life's work has been to understand her own autistic mind, and to share that knowledge with the world, aiding in the treatment of individuals with the condition.

Inspiring Success Stories: Famous
Individuals with SEND Who Have Thrived

OPPORTUNITY'S CALLING...

What's it like to work at your dream company? HIGHERin provides lots of reviews for placements, internships, graduate jobs and apprenticeships, all written by university students and school leavers.

