



National Apprenticeship Week is taking place from Monday 8th to Sunday 14th February with the aim of raising awareness of apprenticeships.

This is your chance to explore the varying levels of qualifications and the industries you can work in.

Be curious. Even if you know for sure that university is the path for you, just take a look. You never know what you may discover.



National Apprenticeship

Week 2021

Talking about apprenticeships, traineeships and other exciting career opportunities. Visit [Big Assembly](#) for more details and to register



UCAS is talking to apprentices about what it's really like to study and work at the same time!

'Ask me anything' Facebook Live Q&A, with Courteney Sheppard (Customer Experience Manager, UCAS) and Tom Culley (apprentice learner, BT).

On-demand from 12:15 – 'Five apprentices share their experiences' (panel discussion) .

Monday 14:00 - 15:00

Visit [UCAS](#) for more details and to book your place

Open to all

Please take a look at these interviews from UCAS, The Financial Times and Amazing Apprenticeships which will provide you with a good overview of degree apprenticeships and how they compare with a traditional university degree.

Please watch in your own time and get in touch with me if you have any questions.



What are apprenticeships?



[What is an apprenticeship video](#)

[UCAS: Degree Apprenticeships](#)

[Financial Times: Apprenticeships vs University](#)



Tuesday is your time to complete some research to learn more about current degree apprenticeship vacancies, the employers that have an apprenticeship programme, and the different ways you can apply for a role.

Keep an open mind

Where do you start researching apprenticeships? How do you figure out if they could be a good option for you?

The same way you would start researching university. Looking at the subjects you are interested in, the subjects that motivate you to find out more. The subjects that you can see yourself studying for 3-4 years after you leave school.

What apprenticeships are available in each of your favourite subjects? Were you surprised by what you found?



Use the websites below to carry out your own research to look at:

Current vacancies

Typical salary

Typical benefits

Location

Use these websites to search for current degree apprenticeships vacancies

www.studentjob.co.uk/apprenticeships
www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/discover
www.amazingapprenticeships.com/vacancies
www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/opportunities

www.careerfinder.ucas.com/jobs/apprenticeship

UCAS Your opportunity to meet and speak to employers who have apprenticeship programmes in our **'Explore and Meet'** exhibition hall.

Live Q&A:

- 12:30 – Capgemini and Virgin Media.
- 13:30 – The Dyson Institute: 'Re-engineer your education. The Dyson Institute degree apprenticeship'.
- 14:30 – NHS: 'Apprenticeships in the NHS'.
- 15:30 – Q&A panel: 'Talking Barclays and apprenticeships'.
- 16:30 – National Apprenticeship Service: 'Apprenticeships on the frontline with COVID'.

Webcasts:

- 13:00 – Manchester Metropolitan University: 'Degree apprenticeships'.
- 14:30 – Accenture.
- 15:15 – Rolls-Royce.
- 16:00 – Fieldfisher: 'The life of a solicitor apprentice at Fieldfisher'.
- 16:45 – Greencore.



Wednesday gives you the opportunity to 'attend' The National Apprenticeship Show, The UCAS workshop to develop your CV and interview skills, and you will have the chance to speak to a local employer offering degree apprenticeships.

Be curious



It's workshop day! To apply for an apprenticeship you'll need a CV, application, and be prepared for an interview...

12.15 – 12.45: Live CV workshop.

14:15 – 14:45: Live interview workshop.

On-demand from 12:15 – 'The application clinic' and 'Ten easy tips to ace your interview'.

Visit [UCAS](#) for more details and to book your place



The National Apprenticeship Show takes place online on **Wednesday 10th February between 11am - 6pm** and will bring together employers, colleges and providers with those wanting to find out more about what apprenticeships can offer.

Employers will include: BDO, Sky, Barclays, PwC, NHS, Centrica, Dyson and KPMG. Please visit www.nas.vfairs.com to book your place at the show.

EY Apprenticeship Event for Students - 4 - 5:15pm

Learn about why an apprenticeship might be a great option for you by hearing from some current apprentices and getting involved with some interactive activities

Book your place [here](#)



Apprenticeship [Parent Information Pack](#)

In the December issue we look at the benefits of volunteering, Post-16 SEND options, The Government Economic Service degree apprenticeship programme, T Level subjects coming soon, BAME & NAA award winners, Traineeships FAQs, Job coach support and more!

For more apprenticeship information and advice for parents, visit our [resource page](#) and search for Parents' Packs or visit our [Parents](#) page.



Thursday focuses on the apprentices who are currently studying towards their qualification. You will have the chance to speak to apprentices to learn more about their experience, listen to their advice and find out about the industries they work in.

Keep exploring



Find out more about apprenticeships by meeting real-life apprentices. 20 apprentices have recorded a short

video each to help explain what they do in their apprenticeship.

www.amazingapprenticeships.com/apprentices

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17:00 - 18:00

Not sure which option is right for you? Let's see what the people studying them think!

On-demand from 12:15 – 'Advice from employers' (panel discussion) and 'Five things you didn't know about apprenticeships'.

Live debate: University or apprenticeship?

Visit [UCAS](https://www.ucas.ac.uk) for more details and to book your place



Apprenticeship Event for **Parents** and Carers: **5:30 - 6:15pm**
Get the opportunity to ask EY your questions and learn more about why an apprenticeship is now an excellent alternative to university
Click [here](#) to book your place

Open to parents





Friday concludes our National Apprenticeship Week.

I hope you now know more about apprenticeships than you did at the beginning of the week.

Test your knowledge by completing some of the quizzes below.



What Apprenticeship am I? -



How much do you actually know about apprenticeships?

[Apprenticeships Quiz - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[NAW2021 - Which Apprenticeship Am I? Quiz - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

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Guess The Employer Quiz There are lots of fantastic apprentice employers all over the UK! Take our quiz to find out



Employer logo quiz Can you guess which logo represents which apprenticeship employer?

www.amazingapprenticeships.com/Employer-Logo-Quiz

more about some of the top employers' schemes.

www.amazingapprenticeships.com/employer-quiz

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