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DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

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Degree apprenticeships give you the opportunity to work and earn a salary while your employer pays for you to study up to degree level (6) or even master's level (7).

You would spend 80% of your time at work, 20% at university as a part time student.

You would be studying a course that's been designed to meet industry needs, gaining several years of highly relevant work experience and the skills valued by employers.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

As with other apprenticeships the employer pays you a wage and also pays for the training. They would pay the course fee directly to the university.

This means you wouldn't need to take out a student loan to pay for fees or living costs (degree apprentices are not eligible for Student Finance).

WHAT IS A 'STUDY FIRST' DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP?

Some companies offer the opportunity to study full time at university in years 1, 2 and 4.

You would then work with them over the summer months and for the whole of year 3.

You would still be paid a salary while studying at university.

HOW TO FIND A DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP:

1. www.ucas.com Degree apprenticeships can be included in your 5 choices on a UCAS application
2. Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
3. Degree apprenticeships | Prospects.ac.uk
4. University websites and at university open days
5. Company websites – many are not listed elsewhere, so check for vacancies and events where opportunities may be promoted.

HOW TO APPLY

Complete the online application then you could be asked to take part in:

- An online test
- A telephone interview
- An assessment day including group tasks/presentations
- An interview.

REMEMBER!

- Don't be put off by companies you haven't heard of – look at their website to find out more
- Download the job description and print/save as you won't be able to access it once the application deadline has passed
- Check the entry requirements including any requirements for particular GCSE grades
- Check deadlines to apply and start dates.

CAN YOU DO A DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP IF YOU ALREADY HAVE A DEGREE?

Yes – but it must be in an unrelated subject.



