



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.


OPPORTUNITIES




Open Doors takes you behind the scenes to showcase the fantastic range of careers available in construction. On Monday 23rd - Saturday 28th March 2026 across all types of construction sites, as well as training and manufacturing facilities, depots and offices - online sessions will also be available. Bookings will open on Monday 12th January 2026.




Go Construct provides resources for anyone looking for a career in the construction and built environment sector. With so many roles available in construction it can be hard to know where to start, why not learn more about these career options... Find a role for you.




This virtual work experience gives you a behind-the-scenes look at how Arcadis engineers, designers, and project managers solve some of the world's biggest challenges. You'll explore the history and future of architecture and infrastructure, meet professionals shaping our built environment, and reflect on how your skills could make an impact.



Bowmer + Kirkland is one of the UK's most successful construction and development companies. Discover life in pre-construction, construction management and commercial, and hear from the experts at the forefront of it all. Find out more here.



Join AtkinsRéalis and you'll work on global projects across diverse sectors, tackling today's most pressing challenges. From growing populations and transportation needs to climate change - you'll help merge ingenuity, knowledge and technology to uplift communities and engineer a safer, better tomorrow. Explore roles here.



Discover how adventure can build the skills needed to lead, inspire, and make a difference. This session on Wednesday 14th January - 10:00 - 11:00, explores real stories from expedition leaders who've faced challenges in the world's most extreme environments. Learn how teamwork, resilience, and problem-solving in the wild translate into powerful lessons for leadership in any career path.

JOB OF THE WEEK



As a building surveyor, you'll complete detailed reports, known as building surveys. Within these, you'll identify defects and advise on repair, maintenance and restoration options. You may implement preventative measures to keep buildings in good condition and look for ways to make buildings sustainable. A large proportion of the working day spent on site.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT


For Young People aged 16-24, employment levels are up by 17,000. The employment rate has increased by 0.2%, now at 52.2%. This means there were 3.89 million young people in employment in July to September 2025.

Source


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Brighton University are hosting an Interview preparation talk and Q+A on Thursday 11th December 17:00 -18:00. Get advice from staff and current students about what to expect and how to get ready for your interview. Book your place [here](#).




Exeter University's 'Discover University' platform provides information, advice and guidance aimed at prospective students. They are hosting a Free Webinar focused on the UCAS Process on Monday 5th January 18:00 - 19:00. Browse more events and book [here](#).




Join the Tesco Early Careers team on Monday 8th December at 16:00 to learn about the apprenticeships available, what is involved, the benefits available, and more. Don't worry if you can't make it on the day, [sign up anyway](#) and they'll send you the recording so you don't miss out.




On Tuesday 20th January from 13:00 - 14:00, you can discover everything you need to know about the BA(Hons) Illustration course at Falmouth University. In the session, they will explore what you will learn on the course, and how online study works. Book your place [here](#).



Are you ready to gain new skills and future proof yourself for any career? Whether you're planning to enter the workforce after secondary school, sixth form, college or as a university graduate, the Digdata programme invites you to gain [virtual work experience](#) with [their partners](#)



BTEC Higher Nationals, like the Higher National Certificate (HNC) and Higher National Diploma (HND), are career-focused qualifications equal to the first two years of an undergraduate degree or foundation degree. Read [this guide](#) to learn more.



Do you dream of shaping the skylines of tomorrow? Is your passion the history and future of our evolving landscapes? Join 3DReid for two action packed days, 2nd - 3rd March 2026 to dive into the dynamic world of architecture. [Apply](#) by the 13th February.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"The built environment is always evolving, and McLaren are at the forefront of that change. As we expand into new sectors, we are looking for the next generations of True Builders, to contribute to our continued success and take on a rewarding career in construction. If you're looking to be part of a dynamic, forward-thinking company, there are a variety of early talent opportunities waiting for you." Find out more [here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Join an inspiring and collaborative community that champions individuality and student support. At the University of Roehampton, you'll enjoy future-proof courses designed with leading employers, industry experts teaching you from day one and professional-standard facilities to prepare you for the world of work." Read more [here](#).

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MISS MITCHELMORE
CAREERS LEADER



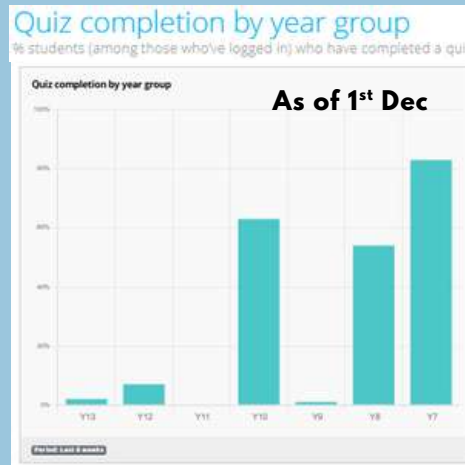
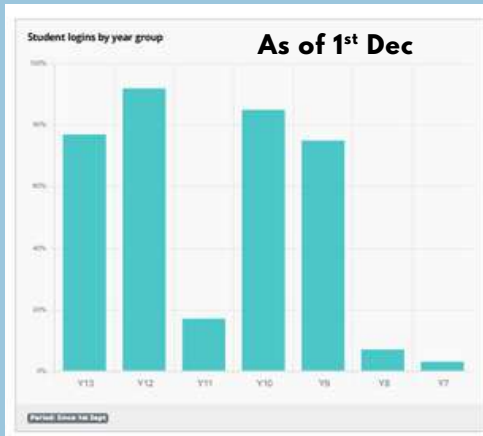
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UNIFROG INFORMATION - CLICK HERE



Unifrog events 25/26: [See all Unifrog.org/events/for-students here](https://www.unifrog.org/events/for-students)



COMPETITION WINNERS - Points added to CC's

The forms that had the most Unifrog sign in's by 10th Nov were:

- Main school WINNERS - 9.1 (100%) & 9.6 (79%)
- 6th form WINNERS - 12.2 (75%) & 12.3 (75%)

NEW COMPETITION

- By 8th Dec - Which form will have the most UNIFROG quizzes completed since September - SIGN into Unifrog use Microsoft log in

PARENTS / CARERS

PLEASE COMPLETE THE CAREERS QUESTIONNAIRE - SENT VIA EMAIL OR CLASSCHARTS

AC CAREER EVENTS

December

- 3rd - Y10 Work Experience reminder assembly - FT Teams
- 4th - Y11 Post 16 options & applications information - FT Teams
- 5th - Etihad - Urban regeneration - Y9 x60

January

- SEND careers event for parents/carers - date to be confirmed

February

- 2nd - Careers fair - Y9-13

April

- 1st - Practice interviews with employers Y10

June

- 8th - Y12 work experience - 3 days
- 29th - Y10 work experience - 5 days

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YEAR 10 & YEAR 12

Work experience (WEX) links below

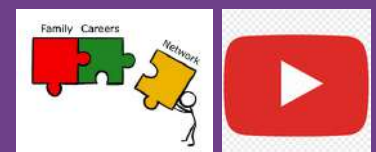
- Year 12 8th-10th June (3 days)
- Year 10 - 29th June - 3rd July (5 days)

TRAFFORD COUNCIL WEX FORM

ALTRINCHAM BUSINESS DIRECTORY

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USEFUL RESOURCES



MISS MITCHELMORE'S CAREERS YOUTUBE CHANNEL

AC CAREERS WEBSITE



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CLICK IMAGES FOR LINK TO WEBSITES

Courses for 16-18 Year Olds Greater Manchester SkillCentre

Interested in Construction, Engineering or Automotive?

Our hands-on courses will give you the skills, confidence and experience to take the next step. Whether you want to get work-ready or progress onto an apprenticeship, we'll help you get there!

- ✓ Enrol now for September 2026
- ✓ Training allowance available
- ✓ FREE minibus service to and from the SkillCentre.
- ✓ Apprenticeship progression opportunities
- ✓ Gain nationally recognised qualifications
- ✓ Learn from expert tutors with real industry experience



Level 1 Courses

- Carpentry and Joinery
- Electrical Installation
- Automotive Maintenance
- Construction Multi-skills
- Plastering

Level 2 Courses

- Plastering
- Engineering
- Electrical Installation
- Carpentry and Joinery

Open Event for 16 - 18 Year Olds



Thursday 27th November 2025 4pm-6pm
Thursday 29th January 2026 4pm-6pm



GM SkillCentre, Wheel Forge Way, Trafford Park, M17 1EH

LIST OF Y11 APPLICATION DEADLINES 2025 FOR SEPT 2026 START

Options post 16 – Level 3's		Academic		Vocational		Applied / work route	
Age	Level	Academic		Vocational		Applied / work route	
	8	Doctorate PhD					
	7	Master's Degree / Postgraduate (1 year) MA, MSc, Mphil, PGCE				Degree apprenticeships = Bachelors & Masters – paid for by employer	
18+	6	Undergraduate Degree BA, BSc	Foundation degree	Higher National Diploma (HND)	Higher National Certificate (HNC)	Higher Apprenticeships NVQ 4,5,6,7	Degree apprenticeships = Bachelors & Masters – paid for by employer
	5						
16-18	4	A level (x3)	T level (x1)	BTEC Nationals Extended certificate (= 2 A levels)	Diploma (= 2 A levels) Extended diploma (= 3 A levels)	Advanced Apprenticeships NVQ 3	YouTube
	3						
14-18	2	GCSE Grades 9-4 (A*-C)		BTEC First Certificate / Diploma		Intermediate Apprenticeships NVQ 2	SCAN ME
	1	GCSE Grades 3-1 (D-G)				Traineeships Unpaid (age 16-24)	
		Academic		Vocational		Applied / work route	



Ada, the National College for Digital Skills Winter Weekend GCSE Computer Science Revision Bootcamp

Build and Improve your GCSE Computer Science Skills and Learn about Careers in Tech at

Ada Manchester

Where? 16 Blossom Street, Ancoats, Manchester, M4 5AF
When? Sat 29th Nov, Sat 6th Dec, Sun 14th Dec 10:00 - 15:00

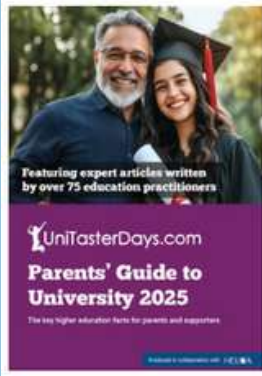
Open to all year 11s who study GCSE Computer Science from schools across Greater Manchester

Find out where a creative career could **take you!**




Featuring expert contributions from over 65 education practitioners

UniTasterDays.com
Students' Guide to University 2025
The key higher education facts for students thinking about university



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UniTasterDays.com
Parents' Guide to University 2025
The key higher education facts for parents and supporters



T-LEVELS
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

A GUIDE FOR PARENTS & CAREERS

Greater Manchester Higher

NAVIGATING HIGHER EDUCATION: A parent and carer series

Our range of online talks aim to empower you by providing the knowledge you need to guide your young person when navigating higher education.

- Tuesday 14 October, 6 - 7pm, online
Navigating higher education
Suitable for parents and carers of learners who are currently in Year 11 - 13
- Wednesday 19 November, 6 - 7pm, online
Supporting GCSE choices
Suitable for parents and carers of learners who are currently in Year 9
- Tuesday 9 December, 6 - 7pm, online
Discover options after Year 11
Suitable for parents and carers of learners who are currently in Year 10 - 11
- Tuesday 10 February, 6 - 7pm, online
A guide to student finance and Disabled Students' Allowance
Suitable for parents and carers of learners who are currently in Year 12 - 13
- Wednesday 11 March, 6 - 7pm, online
Future ready: supporting your child's higher education journey
Suitable for parents and carers of learners who are currently in Year 10 - 13
- Tuesday 12 May, 6 - 7pm, online
Accessing support in higher education
Suitable for parents and carers of learners who are currently in Year 10 - 13

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK YOUR PLACE VISIT:
gmhigher.ac.uk/parents-carers

BOOK NOW



- **VOLUNTEERING IDEAS** **TRY THE GREEN BUZZ QUIZ**
- **AGE 16 -25 GET STARTED WITH THEATRE COURSE, YOU'LL LEARN HOW SHOWS ARE MADE AT THE LOWRY.**

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