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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



Black History Month 2026 in the UK takes place throughout October with the official theme "Honouring our Communities." Celebrating Black History Month means shining a light on achievements, recognising contributions, challenging inequality, inspiring future generations, and promoting greater understanding, inclusion and representation.



On 7th October, join Sanctuary Foundation for a special Great Big Live Assembly to celebrate Black History Month - a fast-paced, fun, and inspiring 10-minute event designed especially for secondary school children across the UK! The event will feature inspiring Black role models and guest contributors and a spotlight on this year's Black History Month theme: "Honouring Our Communities". This year's focus highlights the everyday, often unseen contributions of Black individuals who shape, support, and sustain British society. It recognises people such as volunteers, teachers, NHS nurses, carers, and community leaders who hold communities together. The assembly will be streamed live on YouTube. Can't make it live? No problem! Sign up and they'll send you a link to watch on catch-up.



This iCAN Pulse webinar, taking place on 26th October at 5pm will bring together Black leaders from across the UK and US insurance markets to share their career journeys, the people and communities that have shaped them, and the responsibility leaders have to support those coming behind them.



ICAEW features a series of videos showcasing some of their most inspirational black members. They share their experiences and insights on issues such as leadership, skills and intersectionality in the profession. The videos are from a range of presenters, including senior professionals such as Ololade Adesanya, a Director at EY.



BHM Heroes is a broader collection covering people from sport, medicine, the military, arts and other professions. Profiles include Orthopaedic Surgeon Dr Samantha Tross, F1 Racer Lewis Hamilton, and Footballer Marcus Rashford.

OuterCircle is an apprenticeship organisation helping young people access and succeed in apprenticeships. They arrange events, have current apprentices who act as mentors and an online community to help you succeed. Many of their members are from ethnically diverse backgrounds and can share their real, recent experiences of applying to (and securing!) apprenticeship opportunities.

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JOB OF THE WEEK



Social Worker

They are a trained care professional who helps individuals, families, and communities cope with difficult life challenges, improve their well-being, and protect vulnerable people from harm.

Social Workers usually work for local councils and sit within an adult or childrens team, depending on who they support. In England, they must be registered with Social Work England to legally work in the role.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

A disproportionately high percentage of Black African and Black Caribbean workers are employed as nurses, healthcare assistants, and social workers. For example, public sector statistics show that children's social care and NHS non-medical bands feature some of the highest representations of Black staff across public services.

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Whether you're looking at apprenticeships, work experience, internships or graduate schemes, this session is your launchpad. Lloyds Banking Group are one of the world's biggest financial services companies, with over 30 million digital customers and brands you already know. On 6th October from 5-6pm, you'll find out how they help Britain prosper, what makes their culture what it is, and exactly when this year's opportunities open.



Thinking about an AWE apprenticeship? This session on 6th October from 5-6pm is your chance to get fully prepped before applications open, with practical advice to help you feel confident when you apply. AWE's apprenticeship roles open on 12 October, so this is the perfect way to get ahead before then.



On Wednesday 7th October Deloitte is taking Year 12 and Year 13 students inside their organisation, a Big Four firm and the largest professional services business in the world, to explore their BrightStart apprenticeships and work experience schemes. This is a key route into the firm for school leavers, where you can earn a salary, work on real client projects and study towards a professional qualification at the same time.



Does a legal career within an international organisation sound like something you'd be interested in? Join Young Professionals on 9th October from 5-6:30pm for an exclusive virtual event with Clifford Chance, one of the world's leading law firms, to gain valuable insights into the profession and explore the opportunities available to kickstart your career.



This session from My Great First Job takes place on 20th October and will show you how to really stand out on an applicant list. When you are having an interview for an Apprenticeship or a place at University, you'll find that most of the applicants will have the same levels of qualifications as you... So finding ways to stand out is super-important.



Createch is now live! This is your guide to careers at the intersection of creativity and technology. Learn where creativity meets tech through short talks, real career stories and practical advice from people working across the creative industries. All online, all on demand. You must be registered to access the talks. Register for free.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

BAE Systems is a UK engineering, technology, aerospace and defence company, working on projects including aircraft, submarines, ships, cyber security and advanced technology. Its extensive early careers programme includes work experience, apprenticeships, degree apprenticeships, undergraduate placements and graduate roles. Opportunities cover engineering, software, cyber, project management and business, giving young people routes to earn qualifications while contributing to large-scale projects.

UNI SPOTLIGHT

UCL is a large university based in the heart of London, offering courses across subjects including sciences, engineering, humanities, languages, social sciences, architecture, education and health. Students join a diverse international community and can access research, societies, volunteering and career development opportunities. Its location can be particularly valuable for students wanting to experience city life alongside access to London's employers, cultural organisations and professional networks.

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MISS MITCHELMORE
CAREERS LEADER



MRS COURT
CAREERS ADVISOR

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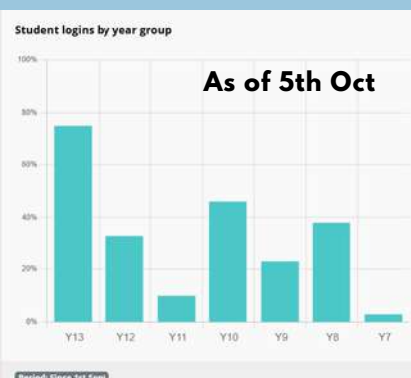
UNIFROG INFORMATION - CLICK HERE

See all Unifrog.org/events/for-students here

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Student logins by year group

% students who have logged in



Most popular career area

who have favoured in Careers library

Arts and Media: 13
Science and Technology: 12
Medicine and Health: 7
Engineering: 6
Politics and Social care: 5
Hospitality, Food and Sport: 4
Sales and Marketing: 4
Construction, Property and Architecture: 3
Law and Public safety: 3
Business and Finance: 2
Plants, Land and Animals: 2
Education and Training: 1
Human services and Administration: 1
Transport and Logistics: 1



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UNIVERSITY FAIR
Wednesday 14th October, 4pm - 6:30pm

Unifrog Tasks

- Sign in
- Careers library - pick your favourite careers (click the heart)
- Sign up to a virtual Unifrog event

YEAR 7'S WILL RECEIVE THEIR LOG INS LATER THIS YEAR

NEW FOR 2026 - UNIFROG PARENT ACCOUNTS

SIGN IN WITH YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS (THIS IS THE EMAIL ADDRESS THAT YOU RECEIVE COMMUNICATION FROM SCHOOL FROM)

PARENT ACCOUNT LINKS TO YOUR CHILD'S ACCOUNT

SIGN UP TO 'EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS'

AC CAREER EVENTS

- Oct 6th - Y10 Work Experience assembly
- Oct 8th - AC 6th form open evening
- Oct 15th - Teams assembly Manchester College - T levels
- Oct 19th - T levels week
- Oct 28th - Family Careers Network Careers Fair - book ticket
- Nov 2nd - Green Careers week / Creative Careers month
- Nov 10th - Digital day
- Jan 25th - Y9, 10, 12, 13 - AC Careers fair
- Jan 28th - Y9 options evening
- Feb 8th - National Apprenticeship week - career assemblies
- March 1st - National Careers week
- June 14th - Y12 work experience - 3 days
- June 28th - Y10 work experience - 5 days

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YEAR 10 & YEAR 12

Contact businesses to find a placement ASAP and then add it to the placement tool on Unifrog

Congratulations to the 5 Y10's who have already logged WEX

Year 12 - 14th June (3 days)

Year 10 - 28th June (3 days)

TRAFFORD COUNCIL WEX

ALTRINCHAM BUSINESS DIRECTORY

ALTRINCHAM HQ - LOCAL BUSINESSES

USEFUL RESOURCES



MISS MITCHELMORE'S CAREERS YOUTUBE CHANNEL

AC CAREERS WEBSITE



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INFO SHARED WITH AC

Updated for the 2026/27 admissions cycle/Check the provider before travelling/For some events, booking is required

Provider	2026 date(s)	Time	Area
Altrincham College Sixth Form	8 th October 2026	6pm-8pm	Altrincham
Trafford College – Altrincham / Stretford	10 Oct 2026	10am–2pm	Trafford
Manchester College	6 Oct 2026	5–7pm	Manchester
Loreto College	10 Oct 2026; 18 Oct 2026	10am–12pm; 1–3pm	Manchester
Xaverian College	10 Oct 2026; 18 Oct 2026	10:30am–2pm	Manchester

OCTOBER 2025 BRITISH ARMY CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter shares helpful updates, resources, and opportunities from the British Army to support young people as they explore career options and build skills. - British Army Supporting Education

APPRENTICESHIPS & CAREERS GET **SKILLED** **QUALIFIED** **CONFIDENT** **STARTED**

COMBAT MEDICAL TECHNICIAN Can you stay calm under pressure and help save lives? As a Combat Medical Technician, you'll provide emergency care, support injured soldiers and help get them to safety. We'll provide the training and support you need to succeed.

APPRENTICESHIP GAINED Start a Level 3 Healthcare Support apprenticeship, lasting up to 24 months and offering pay over £27,200 (around £5.21 a week before tax), giving you practical skills, real experience and a foundation for your future.

MASTER YOUR CRAFT

VIRTUAL EVENTS

ARMY CAREERS 7 WAYS TO SERVE WEDNESDAY 3 OCT 12:00 - 12:30 REGISTER TODAY

ARMY CAREERS 7 WAYS TO SERVE THURSDAY 13 OCT 18:00 - 19:00 REGISTER TODAY

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HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT JOINING: INFANTRY

SOLDIER You'll be at the heart of the action, helping to keep our soldiers safe and support them in the field. You'll be part of the team that's keeping our country safe.

GUARDSMAN You'll be part of the team that's keeping our country safe. You'll be part of the team that's keeping our country safe.

PARATROOPER You'll be part of the team that's keeping our country safe. You'll be part of the team that's keeping our country safe.

DOWNLOAD OUR FACT SHEET

CLICK IMAGES FOR LINK TO WEBSITES

Family Careers Network

CAREERS FAIR 2026

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER

Year 9 - 13 students, parents / carers

3pm - 6pm

Altrincham College, WA15 8QW

WHAT TO EXPECT

Explore career & education options

Work experience & apprenticeship opportunities

Make informed decisions

Connect with employers & professionals

RESERVE YOUR TICKET ON eventbrite

Click & hold on QR code in photo gallery

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Exhibiting: KPMG, Kier, NHS, Elmco Group, Greater Manchester Police, University of Manchester, Lancaster Maloney Martin, United Infrastructure, Pozzoni Architecture Ltd, The University of Chester, Keele University, Trafford College, The Manchester College, Manchester Metropolitan University, McHale & Co Solicitors, TekSystems, Liverpool John Moores University, North West Ambulance Service, UA92 & many more!

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

Featuring expert articles written by over 75 education practitioners

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Parents' Guide to University 2025

The key higher education facts for parents and carers

T-LEVELS
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

A GUIDE FOR PARENTS & CARERS

RESULTS FROM THE PARENT AND STUDENT CAREERS QUESTIONNAIRE

YOU WANTED TO KNOW....WHAT ARE T LEVELS? WATCH THIS 6MIN VIDEO

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

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COMING SOON

NETFLIX-STYLE LIBRARY OF CAREER TALKS & RESOURCES

LAUNCHING 9TH FEB 2026

- 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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LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION (LMI)

What is labour market information?

Labour market information (LMI) is any data or information about the labour market.

 Write down as many examples of LMI as you can think of. Use the icons to help.

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1. Skills in demand | 
2. Progression routes | 
3. Education and training | 
4. Salary / wages | 
5. Career sectors or industries |
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6. Growing sectors or industries | 
7. Application processes | 
8. Work environments | 
9. Working hours | 
10. Employee benefits |

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The 7 MBacc Gateways

Led by our Employer Integration Board



Bolstered by a wider Employer Supporters Action Network of 60+ Businesses

The Gateways help guide young people towards the skills, subjects, training and qualifications they need to access high-quality jobs in Greater Manchester's innovative and growing sectors.

Around half of the GM workforce work in one of the 7 Gateway Sectors.

Shaped by leading local employers, these gateways give a clear view of our local economy and help young people see the path to exciting opportunities in Greater Manchester's fastest-growing industries.

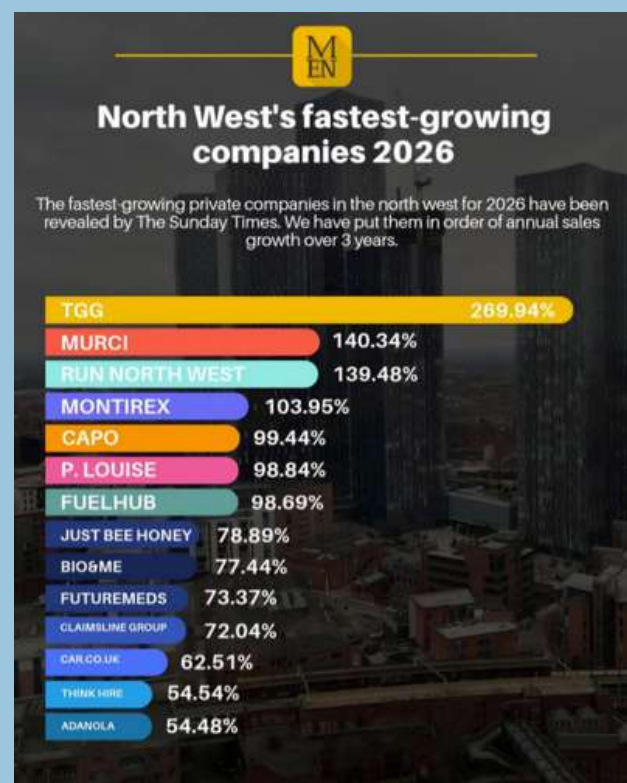
Explore all the jobs in each gateway:

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|  Construction and the Green Economy |  Creative, Culture and Sport |
|  Digital and Technology |  Education and Early Years |
|  Engineering and Manufacturing |  Health and Social Care |
|  Financial, Business and Professional Services | |

Vision statement

By 2030, the Greater Manchester Baccalaureate (mBacc) will guarantee every young person growing up in our city-region has a clear path and line of sight to good jobs and training opportunities across the region.

This will be driven by a system that values technical education as a prestigious route and connects young people to employers through seven MBacc gateways – helping them understand the skills they need and how to reach opportunities in our fastest-growing sectors.



USEFUL WEBSITES:

[HTTPS://GMACS.CO.UK/BEELINE/](https://gmacs.co.uk/beeline/)

[LMIFORALL.ORG.UK/POSTERS](https://lmiforall.org.uk/posters) – INSIGHTS INTO EMERGING SKILL NEEDS

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APPRENTICESHIP INFO



APPRENTICESHIPS INFORMATION ASSEMBLY- 12TH FEB- MEETING RECORDING.MP4



VIDEO - TRAFFORD & STOCKPORT COLLEGE GROUP - DAY IN THE LIFE OF AN APPRENTICE - JAKE

APPRENTICESHIPS OFFER THE CHANCE TO:

- EARN WHILE THEY LEARN
- GAIN HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE IN A REAL JOB
- TRAIN WITH INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS
- ACHIEVE RECOGNISED QUALIFICATIONS
- START BUILDING THEIR CAREER FROM DAY ONE

IF YOUR CHILD IS INTERESTED IN EXPLORING APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES, THEY CAN FIND OUT MORE HERE:

APPRENTICESHIPS - TRAFFORD COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS - STOCKPORT COLLEGE

USEFUL WEBSITES:

YOUTUBE: APPRENTICESHIPS EXPLAINED

FIND AN APPRENTICESHIP - GOV.UK

GETMYFIRSTJOB | FIND YOUR FIRST JOB OR APPRENTICESHIP

ALTERNATIVES TO UNIVERSITY | NGTU



APPRENTICESHIPS EXPLAINED WEBINAR

Options, Opportunities and Real Experiences

An information session for parents and young people

Weds 11th Feb 2026
6pm-7pm
Online

This interactive session is designed for parents, carers and young people who want to better understand what apprenticeships are really like! The webinar will include a clear overview of apprenticeships, followed by a live apprentice panel, where current and former apprentices will share their real experiences, answer questions and bust common myths.

Whether you're exploring next steps after school or supporting someone else to make informed choices, this event offers practical insights, honest conversations and the chance to hear directly from those who've been there.

Book your place by clicking here, or scan the QR code.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK YOUR PLACE:



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25 YEARS OF COLLABORATION & IMPACT

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK 2026

Struggling to book, or got a question? Get in touch: info@gmlpn.co.uk

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