



North Durham Academy
Careers Update
1st March 2021



Hello, my name is Rachel Graham (r.graham@ndacademy.co.uk) and I am Academy Lead for CEIAG (Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance) at NDA.

I would like to welcome you to my first weekly Careers Newsletter. This will be aimed at parents, students and staff of North Durham Academy, to keep you informed about careers education updates.

There will be many chances to win prizes this week for National Careers Week so head on down to our social media pages and check out what is happening!

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NorthDurhamAcademy>

Instagram: @northdurhamacademy

Twitter: @NorthDurhamAcad

Use the hashtags #CEIAG, #NCW2021, #nationalcareersweek2021 and let everyone know what is happening!

ITS NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK!

GET ON DOWN TO THE NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK WEBPAGE AND TAKE PART IN THE VIRTUAL CAREERS FAIR TAKING PLACE ALL WEEK!

VCF: Lobby (ncw2021.co.uk)



I have included a link to the PARENT GUIDE for National Careers Week which is a really useful document:

[New NCW Homepage - National Careers Week](#)

NEW CAREERS ADVISOR

We will be working with Career Wave to provide our students with the best possible career's advice from March 15th 2021.

Louise Gulliver will be joining us, 2 days per week to interview all of Years 10 and 11, in a 1-1 30-minute chat, producing action plans for them to take forward to education, or employment.

She will also be speaking to some of our Year 7, 8 and 9 students this year if we have the time.

Update on Labour Market Information

In this week's

<https://www.supportinginspiration.org.uk/ne/lmi-bulletin-issue-477>

- Target of 12,000 new jobs in health and life sciences by 2030
- Number of announcements in construction and energy securing and potentially creating jobs
- Labour market update on businesses and employee jobs in the UK
- New edition of Pahthfinder for ex service personnel
- Careers at Sea webinar – 2nd of March
- Careermag for school leavers

Post 16 Applications

To Apply To Join the Sixth Form at **Consett Academy** [please click here](#).

To Apply To Join **New College Durham** [please click here](#)

New College Durham LiveChat Support

Want to know more about studying at New College Durham? Chat directly with us, we are here to help! You can find our **LiveChat** feature in the bottom right-hand corner throughout the website.

Our Careers Advisers and School Engagement Team are available to answer your questions. Whether it's about our courses, how to apply or learning support, we are available to help.

Mon – Thu 8.30am – 5.00pm

Fri 8.30am – 4.30pm

*[Outside of these hours people can still leave a message via **LiveChat** and somebody will be in touch via email ASAP.]*

Derwentside College Student Profiles

Derwentside College are promoting National Apprenticeship Week with profiles of former North Durham Academy students below:

To Apply To Join **Derwentside College** [please click here](#)



To Apply To Join **Gateshead College** [please click here](#)

Taster Sessions

Gateshead College are running their annual taster sessions over the next few months.

The event timetable can be found here:-

<https://www.gateshead.ac.uk/events/>

Please note that there will be more events added throughout March - July. Every curriculum area will have a taster session.

This allows for students to meet tutors, current students and find out more detail about each course area. There is an interactive activity in each event which gives the students an idea of what each course is like.

National Apprenticeship week

We are hosting a specialist event on Thursday evening which focuses on Apprenticeships. The event can be found online here:-

<https://www.gateshead.ac.uk/events/say-hello-apprenticeships>

The event allows students to find out what an apprenticeship is, learn more about the application process and how to secure an apprenticeship and take part in a Q&A with employers/students.

To Apply To Join **Newcastle College** [please click here](#)

Full Time Course Guide – This has our courses for September 21. It is an interactive course guide which could be beneficial for both students and parent/guardians.

Engineering Q&A with a tutor – Mel, one of our course lecturers discusses the industry and their own experiences within the industry - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XmUA2pyi5uY>

Parents Event/Open Event – There is an A5 booklet which highlights our parents event. This will give parents/guardians an opportunity to ask us any questions about entry requirements, courses, grades and any other worries they may have.

College Catch Up (podcast) – Episode 2 of the catch up includes Kelly Oakland, Careers Leader at Washington Academy, discussing the worries/barriers about transition into year 11's next steps. - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpFGd1HwIUo>

Campus Tours Playlist – This is the link for our tour playlist - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9oM0YJaeZAw&list=PLJmvdK6moMhJrPyBsIJZM6azYTobkDOh7>

To Apply Join **East Durham College** [please click here](#)

To Apply Join **Durham Sixth Form** [please click here](#)

To Apply Join **ParkView Academy** [please click here](#)

University guidance videos for school groups and students

These videos have one key aim. To support students who are considering university to make informed future decisions. They feature guest speakers from a range of different universities, who are always experts in the subject they are speaking about [link here](#)

Browse Online University Events

Here's where you start your search for your next university event. Events listed include university and college taster days, workshops, residentials, open days, outreach events and widening participation opportunities. [Link here](#)

UCAS Discovering Apprenticeships

Exploring your options

Year 11, 12 and 13 students can [book now](#) to have the opportunity to:

- speak to [employers and providers](#) offering apprenticeships in our virtual exhibition hall.
- find out if an apprenticeship is right for them and how to choose from all the options.
- get expert advice on what it takes to make a winning application and deliver

Teesside University

As it's National Careers Week, I've got two short videos to share with you about Nursing & Operating Department Practice. To view download the video using the link provided.

- ODP - <https://we.tl/t-aC2HDdbReB7#>
- Nursing - <https://we.tl/t-UUB3lOOKPA>
- On Thursday 4 March 11.30 - 12.00 noon we have a *Careers in ODP* talk taking place - [Book a place](#)

Events coming up:

- Open day tomorrow Saturday 27 February 10.00am - 2.00pm (online) - [Book a place](#)
- Diagnostic Radiography online taster session - 14 April, 11.00 - 12.00 noon - [Book a place](#)

National Citizen Service (NCS)

NCS will be launched in the Academy to Year 11 on 18th March 2021

A fantastic opportunity and something to add to the CV!



NCS Awareness week, NCS Summer 2021 Teaser Trailer

<https://bit.ly/2ZViLtH>

Electrical Careers Website

A careers website from The Electrotechnical Skills Partnership (TESP) which contains lots of useful information including routes into the industry [link here](#).

Employability skills training online for students Boost Life Skills- Feb half term holidays

- Each holiday period BOOST LIFE SKILLS delivers online employability skills training to students.
- Training is **separate and specific for each of KS3, KS4 and KS5 students**.
- **See a brief video on** the course structure, learning outcomes, 7 modules, PDF summaries and Learning Logs (the 21 page booklet the students receive) and the certificate on completion on **YouTube [HERE](#)**.
- **See a whole module on KS4 “why do I need to be good at solving problems” on YouTube [HERE](#)**.
- Students/parents/carers contact BOOST directly [HERE](#)

North East Opportunities Website

North East Opportunities is a website where you can search for available jobs across the North East and explore different career areas. It also has up to date Labour Market Information on what industries currently have the highest number of vacancies in the North East. You can access the website through this [link](#).

Looking for an apprenticeship

<https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk> - Put 'Apprenticeships' in the top search box from the drop down menu and then press the search button.

[Find an Apprenticeship](#) - search the government's apprenticeship website.

www.tynenorthtraining.co.uk/apply - Tyne North Training offer apprenticeships in:

- Level 3 business admin; 18 month duration
- Level 2 customer service; 12 months
- Level 3 engineering qualifications; 42 months, the engineering disciplines we provide are fabrication, welding, machining, maintenance and technical support

APPRENTICESHIP OF THE WEEK



If you're ambitious, you're keen to learn and you want to move forward quickly, an apprenticeship could be the perfect opportunity. Our apprentices are involved with real projects pretty much as soon as they get here. You will learn the ins and outs of our business while earning a proper salary and achieving useful qualifications as you go along.

You'll be joining the UK's largest insurer. But really, we're a people business. Here to support our customers at tricky, often stressful times. And to empower our teams to do work that really matters.

We have a real variety of roles across our technology teams. As long as you're curious and passionate about technology, then we can teach you the rest – you'll have a structured training programme and a support network to help you develop.

Don't delay, our applications close **28th February 2021**.

[Apprentice Level 3 – \(IT Solutions Technician\) Tooling Analyst – Technology](#)



[Apprentice Level 4 - Software Development – Technology](#)



[Apprentice Level 4 – Change Management – Technology](#)



[Level 6 \(Degree\) Apprenticeship \(England\) / Graduate Apprenticeship \(Scotland\) – Software Development – Technology](#)

Looking for a job?

Use the Government's 'Find a Job' service to search and apply for jobs on their website. Click [here](#) to go to their website.

National Careers Service support

The National Careers Service is available to offer support with careers, jobs and learning over the phone, online and through social media. If you, or someone you know needs support, get in touch on 0800 100 900 or find them [online](#).

FOUNDATION OF LIGHT UPDATE

LOCKDOWN UPDATE TO SERVICES



<https://www.foundationoflight.co.uk/news/update-on-our-programmes/>

KEEP UP TO DATE: To keep up to date with all the latest news, events, achievements and more from Foundation of Light, visit our website [foundationoflight.co.uk](https://www.foundationoflight.co.uk), 'like' on Facebook at Foundation of Light or follow us on Twitter @SAFCFoL.

We will be sending out 1 webinar per day, 5 in total across the week from a wide variety of people with different job roles within the Premier League, Foundation of Light and Sunderland AFC. The hope is that this will support in being an encounter with employers and provide young people with an opportunity to hear a variety of stories showcasing different pathways from education to the world of work.

Day 1: Abdul Yusuf (Club Assurance Consultant at The Premier League)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-djK8l23dm0&feature=youtu.be>

TALENT FOUNDRY OPPORTUNITY



The Talent Foundry

FEATURED PROGRAMME: POWERING POTENTIAL

A series of tech-based masterclasses, giving KS4 and KS5 students a unique insight into careers in the tech industry and the role that technology plays in the world.

Click here to find out more, and book now.

 **Dell Technologies**

 **Powering Potential** 

Looking to inspire your students about their future careers by hearing directly from professionals, employers and experts?

We are proud to announce a brand new series of virtual insight sessions for Year 10 and above!

We are delighted to announce our **brand new virtual insight sessions** available to your students after Easter.

Your students will have the opportunity to hear from engaging, inspiring key speakers and experts in their fields across a series of careers focused virtual events.

NHS NextGen Nurse Virtual Insight Sessions (KS4 + KS5):

Introduce Year 10-13 students to the four fields of nursing and pathways into nursing. Students will hear from a range of nurses at different points of their career and be able to ask any questions they have about this exciting career in a live Q&A.

Date	Start	Finish	Virtual Insight Topic
Wednesday 21st April 2021	14:00	15:00	Adult and Children's Nursing
Wednesday 28th April 2021	14:00	15:00	Mental Health Nursing
Wednesday 5th May 2021	14:00	15:00	Learning Disability Nursing
Wednesday 12th May 2021 (International Nurses Day)	14:00	15:00	Pathways into Nursing - Finale

[Book here:](#) You can book the NHS NextGen Nurse Virtual Insight Sessions [here!](#)

Dell Powering Potential Virtual Insight Sessions (KS4 + KS5):

A series of inspiring live, virtual events covering all things technology and careers in partnership with Dell and UK universities. Students will gain a unique insight into cutting-edge topics in tech, computer science and business fields. Hearing from expert speakers from across the country, students will:

- Network with professionals / university representatives
- Gain an in-depth insight into the world of work and the future job market
- Engage in contemporary debates at the forefront of tech
- Develop practical knowledge of a range of fields

Date	Start	Finish	Virtual Insight Topic
Tuesday 27th April 2021	14:00	15:00	Dell, AI and Ethics
Thursday 6th May 2021	15:00	16:00	Building your Brand
Tuesday 11th May 2021	14:00	15:00	Dell and Healthcare
Tuesday 18th May 2021	15:00	16:00	Dell and Robotics

Wednesday 26th May 2021	14:00	15:00	Dell and Sport
Thursday 27th May 2021	14:00	15:00	Digital (smart) Cities
Wednesday 9th June 2021	15:00	16:00	Code-along with me (practical workshop)
Thursday 17th June 2021	14:00	15:00	Dell, Alienware and Gaming
Thursday 24th June 2021	15:00	16:00	Dell and Cyber Security
Wednesday 30th June 2021	14:00	15:00	Dell and Sustainability
Tuesday 6th July 2021	15:00	16:00	How Business and Government uses IT in the 2020s

Book here: You can book the Dell Powering Potential Virtual Insight Sessions [here!](#)

Glaxo Smith Kline (GSK) Opportunity

I wanted to let you know we have an exclusive online event taking place on the 4th March, 4:30pm - 5:30 pm with GSK with a focus on their Engineering and STEM based roles. Please could this opportunity be passed onto Y11, Y12, Y13 and via parent mail.

Insight to GSK - Engineering & STEM Event

- Thursday 4th March, 4:30pm - 5:30pm
- Director keynote talk
- If you are interested in Engineering or Science based career areas then this is for you!
- How to apply / pass GSK's selection process (taking a look at their online tests in more detail)
- Open to all Y11, Y12 & Y13 students
- Get your questions answered by the recruitment team
- Parents are encouraged to join!
- **FREE event** (limited places, first come first serve)

Application Link:

<https://www.research.net/r/GSK-4th-March>

We have very limited places (50 spaces) so if interested please book on ASAP to secure your place.