# Careers Bulletin

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Amazing Apprenticeships have produced a great new Parents' Pack full of resources, including questions to ask about degree apprenticeships on open days, the importance of keeping options open, employer advice with Nestle and much more! To download this valuable source of information please see the link below.



## https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2 018/11/Parent-Pack-November-1.pdf



### **Work Experience Opportunities for Year 12 students**

PwC are launching their Year 12 work experience opportunities and their new Data Science Graduate Apprenticeship degree programme.



They're delighted to once again launch their two unique paid summer work experience programmes for Year 12 students - Business Insight Week and Digital Insight Week. This year they are offering over 400 work experience places in 2019 across the UK.

Whether you're looking for a general introduction to potential career pathways into business, or are keen to get stuck into some cutting edge technology, these programmes are worth exploring. Find out more on their website

https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/schooljobs/jobs/work-experience.html

#### **Four Bizarre but Effective Revision Methods**



Some revision techniques for you to try.

# 1. Transform your notes into song lyrics

So no, we can't all be Adele; but adding a tune to your revision notes or rewriting them into lyrics can do wonders.



Creation and transformation are amazing tools for getting those key points in your long term memory to reappear in an exam and say: 'Hello, it's me'.

### 2. Say difficult words in a different accent

This is an extremely useful method as it helps those pesky definitions and names stick in your mind and you can have a bit of a giggle at the same time.



Just make sure your bedroom door is closed and no one is in earshot while you say 'corpus callosum' in an Australian accent – you might sound a bit strange.

### 3. Stick post-it notes... everywhere!

There's just something so satisfying about making a peanut butter sandwick and reading about the Grice's Maxims that you previously stuck to the lid of the jar while you do so.



Stick revision notes all over the house: on your cats, in the toilet... they'll pop up throughout the day and remind you of key facts.

#### 4. Light a candle, spray some perfume...

Some research suggests that stimulating one of your senses during revision and then during application, can increase memory retrieval as you may associate smell or taste with the notes you were reviewing the last time you experienced these sensations.



You'll find yourself thinking: 'Hmmm, bubble gum... reminds me of the quadratic equation!'



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Hopefully these tips keep you in high spirits during revision

Plus, they can make the whole experience a little more entertaining. After all, good things come to those who work hard... but even better to those who *enjoy* working hard.

https://university.which.co.uk/advice/student-life/bizarre-but-effective-revision-methods



#### Flying Start Degree Partnership Programmes

Weighing up your post A-level options can be a confusing time, with so many choices to make and factors to consider. Much is made of the debate as to whether to start work straight away or go to Uni, but what if you could do both at the same time? Here are some facts you might not know about employer partnership degrees...



- You can still choose your Uni their Flying Start Degree programmes are available at Newcastle, Nottingham, Reading, Leeds, Birmingham, Edinburgh, St Andrews and Queen's University Belfast, so you can choose the Uni and geographical area that suits you best.
- Two for the price of one many partnership degrees offer a professional qualification, alongside your academic degree qualification. That means you start work ahead of other graduates with an industry qualification under your belt alongside a degree.
- Student discount most employer degrees offer financial incentives, making the burden of going to Uni that little bit lighter. Whether it's discounted fees and paid placements, like their Accountancy Flying Start programmes\*, or a fully funded programme where you're paid a monthly salary from day-one for the duration of the programme, as well as 25 days holiday, life insurance and other core benefits, and pay no tuition fees, like our Flying Start Technology Degree Apprenticeship, they're worth looking into.

https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/schooljobs/jobs/flying-start-degrees.html

#### **Start your Career with EY**

You don't need a degree to start a successful career in business. If you've finished school and want to jump straight in, you can with an EY apprenticeship programme. Earn a salary from your very first day. Learn from inspirational colleagues on client projects. Do what you're good at. Learn new skills. Get your professional qualifications before your uni-graduating peers – and go just as far.

You'll gain valuable, on-the-job experience with the opportunity to work with new tech and build the skills you need to get ahead. You'll work with local, national and global clients from start-ups to big businesses whilst studying towards a professional qualification or degree. With development and support throughout, an EY apprenticeship offers you a great start to your career.



So, if you're looking for an alternative to university, start your career with EY. We'll help you keep learning, evolving and building the future that's right for you.

# https://ukcareers.ey.com/students/programmes/apprenticeships



# Government Economic Service Degree Level Apprenticeship (GES-DAP)

GES-DAP is:

 The Government Economic Service Degree Apprenticeship Programme (GES-DAP) is an opportunity to work in a central government department or agency on some of the most



- important social, environmental and economic issues our country faces while studying for a degree in economics with the University of Kent.
- Shape a career that fits you because this
  programme is diverse which means you can figure
  out what you like, and what you don't like.
   Economics is such as broad subject that can be
  applied across so many sectors. Your degree and
  practical experience will help you understand all of
  the opportunities open to economists.



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It's also an opportunity to work in an inclusive and social environment. We want everyone in the Government Economic Service (GES) to feel comfortable to come to work as themselves. We have a culture that supports all, no matter their background or ambitions. You will have the opportunity to be part of a fun community, with many social events and plenty of chances to make friends with both students and other colleagues.



#### Why Economics?

- It teaches you the skills to make well informed decisions and solve problems
- It is always relevant as it looks at the world around us
- Extremely varied and leads to a wide range of careers, such as journalism, analysis and policy advisory
- It is one of the highest paid professions

#### Study with the University of Kent

University of Kent was selected to deliver the programme because of the strength of their economics



courses and the support they'll offer to apprentices throughout the programme. This will be delivered via blended learning, a mixture of distance and face to face learning, so there is no need to travel to University regularly. Once complete, you will, an economics degree and four years' experience of working in the Civil Service setting you up to build a brilliant career as an economist.

#### **Entry Requirements**

- GCSE maths at grade B (6) or above
- At least 96 UCAS points (A level or BTEC)
- Applicants should demonstrate a passion for making change, but we don't expect you to have your whole life figured out. Many of you won't know where you want your career to go, which is why the GES-DAP is designed to help you work that out.
- We don't expect you to know anything about economics, that is what we are here to help with!

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/thegovernment-economic-service-degree-levelapprenticeship

You need to register your interest by January 13th 2019.

#### **Cyber Security Higher Apprenticeship**

Keeping their life-saving products, staff, equipment and systems safe from cyber threats is of paramount importance to GSK.

Their apprenticeship programme is designed to create the cyber security engineers of the future, providing you with the opportunity to develop an understanding of cyber security threats, how they manage the hazards and control the risks.



### Achieve your career goals on their apprentice programme

You'll receive tailored on-the-job training from their inhouse experts, combined with early responsibility to help you develop and progress. You'll be working towards a nationally recognised qualification- a Level 4 Higher apprenticeship standard – the equivalent of a foundation degree. If you show the qualities, they are looking for you may be offered the opportunity to go on to study for a degree in cyber security.

Working with both your line and programme manager they want to identify the right opportunities to help you succeed in the short term and throughout your career with them. You will also be assigned a buddy or a mentor who will be there to offer support and guidance throughout your apprenticeship.

#### What will you do?

Their Cyber security apprenticeship runs for three years. In the first year, you'll spend time at college, studying theory elements of the apprenticeship and also in the office gaining practical experience of cyber security management. Your rotations may include time in one of their near-by manufacturing sites.

Your apprenticeship will combine on-the-job learning with a programme of training and development. Your role may involve:

- Using government and vendor intelligence to identify and mitigate potential risks and threats
- Security system architecture design including defence in-depth
- Understanding the basics of cryptography
- Looking for vulnerabilities in hardware and software
- Building firewalls
- Monitoring for intrusions



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#### What qualifications do I need?

To be eligible for their Cyber Security apprenticeship you will need...

- A minimum of 5 GCSEs, Maths at grade 6 or above, Science at grade 5 or above, English language at grade 4 or above, plus two others grade 4 or above
- Must have/be predicted to achieve a minimum of 96 UCAS points from your top 3 A Levels and must include Maths.

#### Where will I be based?:

GSK House, Brentford London

What their apprentices say about the GSK apprenticeship scheme...
"I have really enjoyed finding out about all the different aspects of my apprenticeship. I was amazed at the level of responsibility I was given and feel like I am making a real difference.

"The most enjoyable part so far was probably the personal development week - it was great to do activities I never normally would and to also be around other apprentices in similar situations to me and compare all our thoughts and opinions on the apprenticeship programme.

"I have enjoyed the challenge of managing my work load to ensure I keep on top of all the college work and on top of my role at GSK. It has been a great opportunity to prove myself."

#### When does the Apprenticeship start?

Their apprenticeships start in September 2019.

#### Benefits include:

- A competitive base salary
- An annual bonus
- Benefit programmes benchmarked against industry standards
- A recognition programme to reward exceptional work by you and your team
- A performance and development programme
- Training and Development (including opportunities to attend events such as the Outward Bound
- A nationally recognised qualification

#### **Next steps in our application process:**

If you seem like a good fit based on your application form, we'll invite you to complete our World of GSK online assessment. This will give us a better idea of your strengths and suitability for our apprentice programme. Please check your email daily to see if you've been chosen – and complete the World of GSK by the deadline given.

If you succeed in the World of GSK, you'll progress to the GSK Life job simulation. Following this, we will be looking back over the whole of your application so far to decide whether you meet the specific requirements of the programme in the country you have applied to. The final round is our Assessment Centre. We anticipate this will be in Feb-April

https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/jobs/1355/gsk/cyber-security-higher-apprenticeship

If you have any questions or queries relating to careers please contact the careers leader Kate Ward on wardk@haileyburyturnford.com