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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



Now in its 22nd year, Recycle Week is Recycle Now's flagship annual event. A celebration of recycling across the nation, galvanising the public to recycling more of the right things, more often. Continuing last year's campaign theme, 'Rescue Me! Recycle', Recycle Week 2025 will run from 22 to 28 September, [watch this space for more information coming soon.](#)



National Parks throughout the United Kingdom are inspiring future generations to embrace incredible landscapes and connect with nature. [Green Pathways](#) - our collection of programmes and learning resources for outdoor educators and youth leaders - is designed to support accessible and inclusive opportunities for young people wherever they live. There are three Green Pathways to explore - Green Shoots, Green Beacons and Green Leaders.



Building a Greener Future: Constructing a Sustainable World with Deborah Bunce from University College Birmingham. In this experience, you'll discover how sustainable construction is essential for reducing environmental impact and protecting our planet. [Try this university course before you apply!](#)



Are you considering going to university, but are not sure how to choose the right course and university for you? The University of East Anglia webinars are live online sessions that include a short presentation, after which you can ask questions via text chat. [Free to join, click here for more.](#)



On Thursday 25th September, join Dr Johanna Forster, an environmental social scientist, as she discusses "Coast to Coast - Livelihoods, Gender, Disasters, Environmental Change & Governance - A Social-Ecological Systems Approach". [Register here.](#)

JOB OF THE WEEK



[Nature Conservationist](#)

Nature conservationists manage and protect the natural environment for current and future generations by promoting sustainability, educating others and shaping policy. You will visit natural sites as part of your fieldwork. Office work includes planning, data analysis, reporting and other admin tasks. Learn more by watching the video.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) indicates in April-June 2025, people got 1.5% more work done per hour than before COVID.

This means workers are a bit more productive than before and may be working fewer hours, but getting more done in that time.

[Source](#)

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This free service from Middlesex University aims to help students write a personal statement that stands out. Get your personal statement reviewed [here](#).




The [virtual work experience programme](#) from DEFRA will introduce you to the Environment Agency in England, and its critical role in creating better places for people and wildlife and supporting sustainable development.




Check out the University Application Masterclass series from Unifrog, with top tips of applying, portfolios, personal statements and interview tips. [Watch here](#).



[Listen to the CareersBU Podcast](#) from Bournemouth Uni Careers Service. Hear from alumni, students and employers to find out about different careers, explore opportunities available to you and discover how to stand out to employers.




Working with the Environmental Agency means protecting and improving the environment for generations to come, tackling issues of national importance across a huge variety of disciplines and professions. [Learn more about their early careers offerings here](#).



The number of new 18–25-year-olds choosing to join the National Trust grew 39% in the last year, the charity's annual report has revealed. Read more about jobs at the National Trust [here](#).



Science, Why Bother? - Ecology. [Watch this video](#) from MYPATH to understand how science studies can link to the world of work.



We invite you to bring your imagination, passion, and ambition to Arcadis. Whether you're a graduate, intern, or apprentice, you'll play a crucial role in our community. Read the Early Careers brochure [here](#).

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"[Arcadis](#) is the world's leading company delivering sustainable design, engineering, and consultancy solutions for natural and built assets. We are more than 36,000 people, in over 30 countries, dedicated to improving quality of life.

At Arcadis, we see a world of new opportunities, we are committed to delivering positive change and improving quality of life through the work we do."

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Whatever your time with us has in store for you, it'll be an exciting journey – from meeting lifelong friends in halls, to your experience on placement, exploring the local area or joining a club or society. Your university experience should offer both a great course and a great environment. That's our focus. We value you and your contribution, and provide an environment to help you realise your ambitions and make a difference." [Find out more about what life at BU has to offer.](#)

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Virtual Work Experience with HSBC – October 2025

We're excited to share two fantastic virtual work experience opportunities with HSBC this October!

These sessions are designed to help students develop key employability skills while working on real-life challenges – all from the comfort of home. Both events take place outside of school hours, making them accessible for everyone.

For: Years 7-9

Date: Wednesday 1st October

Time: 4:30 pm

Where: Virtual session on Zoom

Session: "Pitch for a Purpose: Plan the Ultimate Charity Event with HSBC"

45-minute virtual briefing with the HSBC team

Complete the career challenge at your own pace

Receive a certificate on completion

Register here: [years 7-9](#)

For: Years 10-13

Date: Thursday 2nd October

Time: 5:00 pm

Where: Virtual session on Zoom

Session: "HSBC and The Nature Trust UK – Nature Projects That Make a Difference"

45-minute virtual briefing with the HSBC team

Complete the career challenge at your own pace

Receive a certificate on completion

Register here: [years 10-11](#)

Don't miss out on this chance to boost your employability skills, explore exciting career pathways, and gain a certificate to showcase on your CV!