Aspirations Bulletin
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TRINITY SIXTH FORM ACADEMY

HIGHER EDUCATION

Open Days

Leeds Arts University	University of Brighton	Lancaster University	University of Wolverhampton
28 January	4 February	7 February	11 February

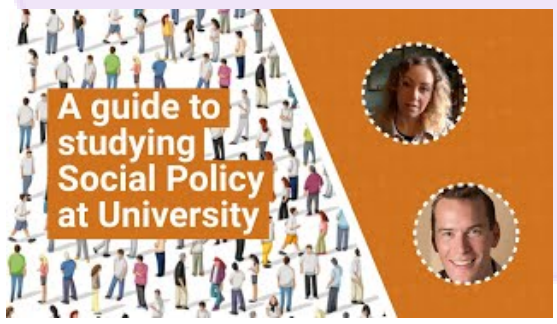
Subject Spotlights

<u>Delivered by University of London</u>

- Why study Social Sciences at university
- How is this subject taught at university
- Career opportunities following the degree
- Application tips for social science applications

<u>Delivered by University of Huddersfield</u>

- Why consider studying Physiotherapy at university?
- How is Physiotherapy taught at university
- What are the career options for Physiotherapy Graduates.
- Application tips and personal statement advice.

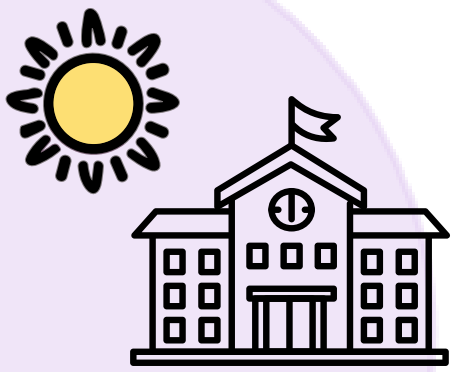


<u>Delivered by University of Salford</u>

- Reasons why students might choose to study Adult Nursing at university
- What to expect from this degree, including core disciplines covered
- Tips for prospective students when considering an Adult Nursing course.

Say 'Yes' to opportunities:

Year 12: Summer Schools



University summer schools for Year 12 are short, usually free academic programmes that let you experience university life, explore a subject in depth, and strengthen your UCAS application. Many universities in the North of England run them, especially through schemes like the Sutton Trust.

e.g. Durham University – Sutton Trust Summer School
University of Leeds – Reach for Excellence (RFE) Summer School
University of Sheffield – Discover Summer School

Year 13: UCAS Updates

Now that you have sent your application off there is still plenty to be doing and thinking about. Here's some ideas:

- Stay on top of communication
- Prepare for interviews or extra tasks
- Keep working towards your grades
- Apply for Student Finance
- Research accommodation
- Attend offer-holder days
- Choose your firm and insurance choices
- Sort practical life admin

This week's subject focus: Sociology

Loughborough University | University of Bath

Top University's Nationally

Durham University | Lancaster University

Top Regional University's

University of the Week

Lancaster University

10th	5 Stars	Top 200
best university in the UK The Complete University Guide 2026	We are one of only 16 UK Universities to receive 5 stars for overall performance. QS World University Rankings 2026	We are 157th in a survey of 1,501 world universities. QS World University Rankings 2026

SEND Support:

According to UCAS, over 100,000 disabled students apply to study at university in the UK every year, including those with mental health conditions, learning differences and long-term health conditions (UCAS, 2025).
Be rest assured you won't be alone!

Enhance your skills:

Springpod
FUTURES FOR ALL
Forage
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WORLD OF WORK

With the UCAS deadline looming,, this is the perfect moment for you all to shift their attention toward the world of work. Over the coming weeks, a wide range of new opportunities will begin to open up — from apprenticeships and part-time roles to employer insight days and skills-building programmes. This next phase is all about exploring pathways beyond university, strengthening employability, and gaining real-world experience that supports future ambitions. It's an exciting time to look ahead, get curious, and take confident steps toward whatever comes next.

Work Experience and Employment Opportunities

Charity Shop Assistant
Weekends Halifax Little Stars Shop

Casual Sales Assistant
Sports Direct | Halifax

Apprenticeship Opportunities

Stronger Starts Retail Apprentices.
Applications for September 2026 are now open! Apply to the region that best matches your location: North, South, East or West. Choose based on where you live.

Sales Degree Apprentice
Molson Coors Beverage Company
Recruiting nationally

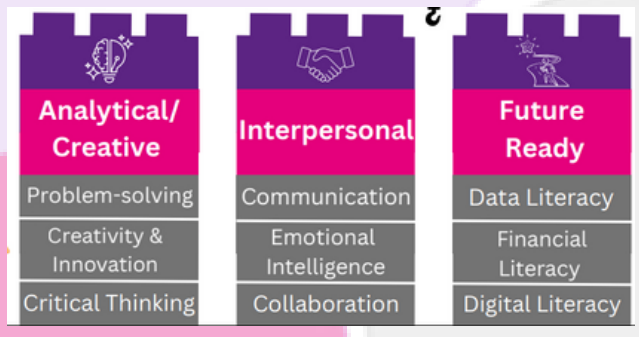
Nestlé Good food, Good life

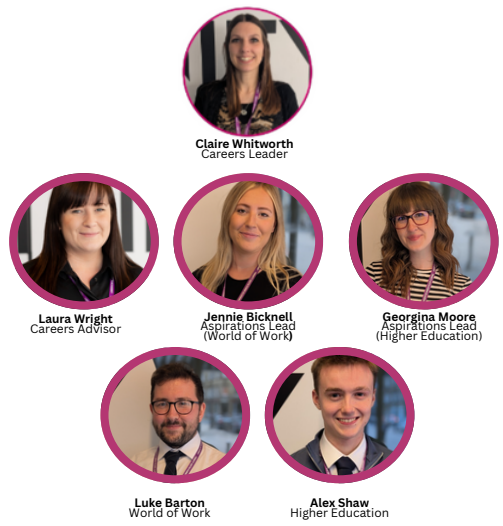
Jet2careers

WHERE TO LOOK FOR APPRENTICESHIPS

sky | UCAS | Calderdale College

GOV.UK | LLOYDS BANKING GROUP | Apprenticeships



Career of the Week

A career as a midwife offers the chance to support people through pregnancy, childbirth, and early parenthood, combining medical expertise with compassion and communication. Midwives in the UK typically earn £28,000–£34,000 when starting out, rising to £35,000–£45,000 with experience, and even higher in senior or specialist roles. To enter the profession, individuals usually complete a degree in midwifery or a midwife degree apprenticeship, both of which include extensive clinical training. Key strengths include empathy and communication, clinical decision-making, and the ability to stay calm under pressure. Midwives work in hospitals, birth centres, and community settings, providing essential care, reassurance, and health education to families at one of the most important moments in their lives.