

# A Parent's Guide to Apprenticeships

As a parent, you want your child to get the best possible start in their career. There are many options available to young people after they leave school, and in this guide, we outline information and benefits about apprenticeships as a key route into a successful career.

## What is an apprenticeship?

It is a genuine job, with training, meaning you can earn while you learn and gain a nationally recognised qualification.

The minimum wage for apprentices is £3.90 per hour, but many employers pay more than this. This is dependent on the sector, and level of the apprenticeship

All apprenticeships include elements of on the job and off the job training leading to industry recognised standards or qualifications. Some apprenticeships will require an assessment at the end of the programme to assess the apprentice's ability and competence in their job role.

More details on salaries and entry criteria in specific apprenticeship occupations can be accessed by looking at the vacancies on 'Find an apprenticeship.'

The government has stated that all young people must stay in some form of education or training until at least their 18th birthday. This does not necessarily mean staying in school; young people have a choice about how they continue in education or training post 16, which could be through an apprenticeship or traineeship.

## What levels are there?

Name	Level	Equivalent educational level
Intermediate	2	5 GCSE passes at grades A* - C or 9 - 4
Advanced	3	2 A level passes
Higher	4, 5, 6 & 7	Foundation degree and above
Degree	6 & 7	Bachelor's or masters degree

## What are the benefits of Apprenticeship training?

- Apprenticeships are now available up to degree level and beyond
- Earning a salary and paid holiday
- Excellent progression opportunities, whether looking to study further or climb the ranks within the workplace
- Increased future earning potential – apprentices enjoy marked salary increases on finishing their training
- Over 70 national universities are currently offering a range of degree apprenticeships

## Apprenticeships with City College Peterborough.

A member of our team will help you to find a suitable placement with a local employer for you to complete your training.

Also, we can help you with your CV and give you some advice on interview tips etc, and advice and guidance on your future career aspirations.

You will be allocated an assessor who will support you through your apprenticeship training and you will have access to an online learning platform with an electronic portfolio for you to collate your evidence for your training programme.

Your assessor will regularly review your progress with your employer to ensure that you are on track to complete your apprenticeship on time.

You may be required to complete an assessment with an external assessor at the end of your training to complete your apprenticeship qualification and assess your competence and ability. Your assessor will fully support you in this.

On completion of your apprenticeship training you may potentially be offered a full time position within the company you have completed your training in, or be offered a progression route to a higher level of study.

## How to apply

Please contact a member of the Apprenticeship team on 01733 293 899 or email [Apprenticeships@citycollegepeterborough.ac.uk](mailto:Apprenticeships@citycollegepeterborough.ac.uk)

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