



Hall Park Academy

Hall Park Careers

CAREERS NEWSLETTER
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Hello and welcome to my first Careers Newsletter! My name is Mrs Morris and I am the new Careers Advisor here at Hall Park. I work two days a week (Monday & Tuesday), and am here to make sure that you have access to all the careers information, advice and guidance that you may need during your time here with us. I look forward to working with you!

I am aiming to put together a newsletter once every half term and hope to fill it with news, information, tips and examples of the excellent work you have been doing looking at skills and the world of work... Watch this space!

Spotlight NHS Careers

In these strange times we have become more aware of the important role the NHS plays in all our lives, as they work tirelessly to help us overcome coronavirus. You may even have been inspired to consider a career working in the NHS as a result, so I have included a few links to help you find some information.

Current circumstances on one side, did you know that the organisation employs over **1.7 million** staff? This makes it one of the world's biggest employers (just a bit less than McDonalds!) and the **largest employer in the UK**.

As a career pathway, there are also plenty of roles to choose from, hundreds in fact, stretching from clinical staff, all the way to healthcare scientists, information managers and services required to keep the organisation running behind the scenes.

To find out more about careers, follow the link to the NHS Careers website which includes a fantastic overview of roles, as well as lots of resources like the overview booklet I have linked here. You may also be interested in finding out how to gain work experience in the NHS. For this I have linked to advice here (although, of course, these tips will be relevant to the future rather than the present time).

Click [here](#) for the NHS Careers website

Click [here](#) to see a booklet highlighting different roles in the NHS

Click [here](#) for a page about gaining relevant experience



A little bit of LMI!

As a future member of the workforce, it is important for you to learn about what is out there in the real world. This is what we call '**Labour Market Information**' and it is something that I am here to help you find out about. This could be on a national or local level. In this issue, I have linked you to the **Careerometer** which is a great way of comparing information about different jobs. Click on the 'cards' and type in / select a job role. You can then find out relevant statistics, as well as comparing it to another job. I have included an example below but there are loads more you could try. Have a play! Click [here](#) to get to the site, what can you find out?

Barristers and judges		Solicitors	
Weekly Pay £1,080	Annual Pay £56,160	Weekly Pay £1,100	Annual Pay £57,200
Hours/Week 37h	Hourly Pay £29	Hours/Week 36h	Hourly Pay £31
Workforce Change (projected)		Workforce Change (projected)	
Growth 7.2%	Replacement 56.9%	Growth 7.2%	Replacement 56.9%
<small>The workforce is projected to grow by 7.2% over the period to 2027, creating 2,500 jobs. In the same period, 56.9% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 18,600 job openings.</small>		<small>The workforce is projected to grow by 7.2% over the period to 2027, creating 10,000 jobs. In the same period, 56.9% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 78,600 job openings.</small>	
You might find this job in Legal & accounting Public admin. & defence Membership organisations Food & beverage services		You might find this job in Legal & accounting Public admin. & defence Membership organisations Auxiliary services Retail trade	
More info		Clear card	

Careers Help: Welcome to Unifrog!

At Hall Park you are lucky enough to have access to Unifrog which allows you to explore and record lots of activities and searches which help you develop awareness of your own skill set and knowledge on what opportunities you have available to you once you leave school. **You have been sent an email link** to get you logged in to the system, which you will need to do within the next week so you are up and running. In the coming weeks, I will be directing some of you to look at particular sections and put some of their excellent research tools to the test. Please email me at morrish@hallparkacademy.org.uk for advice if you cannot access the site.



Exploring University Subjects: Engineering & Technology

Engineering & Technology (click [here](#) for the full page)
This subject area covers a vast selection of different career directions you could go in and underlines the need to do your research! Here are a few key points from UCAS about this subject area:

The **top five graduate destinations** for this subject area in 2014/15 were:

1. Manufacturing
2. Professional / Scientific / Technical
3. Construction
4. Wholesale and Retail Trade
5. IT



There are at least thirteen **different subject areas** covered by this discipline, for example, Aerospace, Chemical, Mechanical, Civil and even Naval Architecture.

Courses can be full or part-time, combined with other subjects or taught as a sandwich course with a year in industry placement included. A lot of engineers also undertake an extra year of study in order to qualify with a higher Masters Degree.

The A Level entry requirements range from **CCC to AAA**, with the universities most commonly asking for ABB. **Maths A level** is normally essential, with many requiring or preferring a second A level in physics. As an alternative to physics other universities may accept subjects linked to science, computing, maths, or design.

Other **Level 3 qualifications** (e.g. BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Engineering or Construction) may be accepted as an alternative to A levels by *some* providers. It's essential that you check alternative entry requirements with universities or colleges.

There are a growing number of apprenticeships in the engineering sector available in England at all levels. Some examples of **degree apprenticeships** include roles such as Marine Surveyor, Nuclear Scientist, Power Engineer and an Aerospace Software Development Engineer.



"It is never too late to become what you might have been"

George Eliot

Knowing Yourself

Ever wondered what your preferences might mean in terms of a career direction? There are lots of different tools / quizzes you can use to inspire ideas on which direction you might go in, but with everything it is best to use them as a guide rather than a perfect list which you should definitely pick from! Click [here](#) to give the UCAS Buzz Quiz a go, which animal are you? Does it provide you with any ideas you might want to research in more detail?

I'm a barn owl!

You're a Barn owl!

Motto: I'll work it out myself

1 percent of the UK population are Barn owls
Barn owls are symbols of intelligence, determination and wisdom. A Barn owl hunts quietly over grassland looking for small animals; seemingly flying high, thinking big ideas quietly, while paying attention to the small details to solve problems and develop plans.



A few links to check out!

Here I am showing you a few useful websites that can help you to research ideas, future plans, develop skills or push you to dream a little (just click the links below).

Keep pushing those ideas, and remember to aim high!

ucas.com

Yes this is the site where you apply to university but it is a whole lot more than that! Have a look at sections on Further Education but also Apprenticeships and Careers.

icould.com

This site is great for inspiration, you can look up particular roles or explore by subject. There are lots of video interviews which are pretty useful too.

[National Careers Service](https://nationalcareersservice.gov.uk)

This is a government site which doesn't look too inspiring but has lots of useful information on different job areas. Worth a look!

