GCS CAREERS DEPARTMENT

October 2024 #01

INFORMATION & EVENTS

ULSTER UNIVERSITY INSIGHT EVENTS 2024

Insight Events are a fantastic opportunity to find out more information about the programmes at UU. From what you'll learn, how you'll study and assessment methods, to experiences, fieldtrips and placements, the programme teams will cover that 'great to know' information, helping you decide which course is the best choice for you.



There is a selection of programmes across the Belfast, Coleraine and Derry/Londonderry campuses that will be hosting Insight Events throughout Autumn 2024. Events still available include:

- Optometry: Fri 1 Nov
- Culinary Arts Management: Wed 6 Nov
- International Hospitality Management: Wed 6 Nov
- English, History, Journalism and Digital Media Production: Thurs 7 Nov
- Global Business and Marketing: Thurs 14 Nov
- Accounting and Finance: Thurs 14 Nov
- Event Management: Wed 27 Nov
- Food Business and Innovation: Wed 27 Nov
- International Tourism Management: Wed 27 Nov

These are a great opportunity to find out about these courses in more detail. Insight Events 2024

ULSTER UNIVERSITY DISCOVERY ACADEMY

To view courses click link: www.ulster.ac.uk/schoolsacademy



The Discovery Academy is an outreach platform open to all pupils from Year 8-14, it's free, self-paced and we currently have 75+ courses on offer. We encourage pupils to jump from course to course, subject to subject, if they don't like a course, that's no problem, try a different one, there is no penalty for not completing. The essence of the Academy is to build curiosity and aspirations around future pathways for young people.

The academy allows pupils to explore subjects perhaps that they don't study. It can also be used as curriculum enrichment. A popular one is 'Prepping for Uni' and 'Next Steps for University'.

YEAR 13: MEDICINE AT QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST

Monday 16 December 08:45 - 16:30 Medical Biology Centre, Queen's University Belfast



The School of Medicine, Dentistry and Biomedical Science will once again be running our very successful Medicine at Queen's Open Day. This event is for any year 13 students who are interested in studying medicine for 2026 entry only.

Find out more and register online via the link below.

Medicine at Queen's | Campaigns | Queen's University Belfast

ENGINEERING AT QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST EVENT

Thursday 7 November 6.00pm - 9.30pm Whitla Hall, Queen's University Belfast



This event is targeted at parents/guardians and students in years 11, 12, 13 and 14 who are studying or considering studying A-Level Mathematics and Science/Technology or equivalent vocational qualifications.

Students and their families will have the opportunity to hear from current students, graduates and academic staff about the reasons why they should consider choosing a degree in Engineering.

Audio Engineering; Chemical Engineering; Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering; Computer Engineering; Electrical and Electronic Engineering; Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Find out more and register online via the link below.

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UCAS - VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES



UCAS offers links to virtual work experience opportunities in a range of sectors and with a range of employers/providers. Check out the link below to explore upcoming placements.

Remember that in order to complete a virtual work experience placement, you must have returned a purple parental permission letter and you must complete the relevant Microsoft Form on Google Classroom.

To avail of virtual work experience opportunities offered by UCAS, you must also register on the UCAS Hub. This should be done using a personal email address, rather than your school one.

<u>Virtual Work Experiences | Virtual and digital, Undergraduate | UCAS</u>



YEAR 12 CAREERS INTERVIEWS

Commencing Tuesday 1
October with NI Careers
Service Advisers. These
will take place on
Tuesdays and
Wednesdays each week.
Year 12 pupils to check
schedule on Google
Classroom. Pupils should
prepare for the careers
interview – think about
careers they are
interested in and any
questions they might
want to ask.

YEAR 14 INTERVIEW
SKILLS DAY
Wednesday 6 November

Periods 1-3: interview skills' workshop.

Periods 4-5: mini mock interviews with an employer from your chosen field of work/ study.

Come to school on the day dressed as if you are attending a real job interview (in smart work attire).

In preparation, conduct research into questions you may encounter in your chosen area of work/ study and think about how you would answer common interview questions.

DIGITAL BADGES: AN INTRODUCTION TO MARKETING WITH ATLANTIC TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

We are delighted to offer four **FREE** online courses with associated digital badges that might be of interest to your students. Participants will gain an insight into the world of marketing and they can add the digital badges to their CV.





The courses are:

- Introduction to Marketing Concepts
- Introduction to Marketing Research
- Introduction to Digital Marketing
- Introduction to Services Marketing

The courses can be accessed through ATU Free Courses webpage.

Home | ATU

An Introduction to Marketing - Digital Badges | ATU - Atlantic Technological University

NHS ALLIED HEALTHCARE WORK EXPERIENCE

After the success of our recent NHS National AHP Work Experience session, I am thrilled to extend an invitation to your students in years 10-13 for our upcoming session on Sunday 3rd November, 8:30am - 5pm, focusing on Road Traffic Collision (RTC).



The NHS Virtual Allied Healthcare Work Experience offers a unique opportunity for aspiring healthcare professionals. Our guest speaker will provide invaluable guidance to help these future professionals embark on their dream healthcare careers. Following this, students will gain an intimate look at the healthcare industry in the LIVE virtual work experience, delving into diverse roles within allied healthcare and taking a closer look at patient care by following the journeys of two patients from incident through to treatment.

Once registered, students will receive access to their virtual work experience portals.

Registration will start at 8:30am, with guest speaker from 9-10am, then the live work experience session starts at 10am, with an end at 5pm.

Students can register at any time throughout the 6-month programme using the link below. We recommend booking early to gain as much out of this programme as possible. Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs, or £50 for the full 6 months.

Live Virtual NHS Healthcare Careers Work Experience Programme - Allied Healthcare Mentor

STUDENT ACCESS TO MEDICAL & DENTAL PROGRAMMES

The Get into Medicine or Get Into Dentistry Conference is a complete guide to the medical or dental application journey. Students get essential insights into the medical/dental UCAS application process, connect with professionals, fellow students, and gain a deeper understanding of a future career in medicine or dentistry.



DENTAL MENTOR WAKE A DIFFERENCE

Our upcoming Get Into Medicine conferences are:

- Saturday 26th October from 9:30am 3:30pm
- Sunday 27th October from 9:30am 3:30pm

Our upcoming Get Into Dentistry conference is:

- Sunday 10th November from 9:30am - 3:30pm

During this conference students will be taken through essential topics such as:

- Application Timelines
- How to Tactically Choose Medical/Dental Schools
- CV Building
- Personal Statements New format from 2026
- Medical/Dental School Interviews

- UCAT Entrance Exams to Medical/Dental School
- Medical Leadership and Awards Programmes
- Accessing Work Experience
- Accessing Scholarships

Students will need to ensure they have a functioning camera and microphone for the session. It is also important that they have a parent or guardian present at these conferences, not only for safeguarding, but also to gain insight and guidance to support them effectively.

<u>Get Into Medicine Conference Student Online Registration Form</u> <u>Get Into Dentistry Conference Student Online Registration Form</u>

BROWNE JACOBSON OCTOBER LAW WORK EXPERIENCE

Tuesday, 29th October from 9:00am - 4:00pm

Browne Jacobson

This is a fantastic opportunity for students looking to get an insight to the legal profession.

Why Attend? This event is your direct access to the brightest minds in law and a chance to gain actionable advice on how to navigate your legal career in the most competitive field. Whether you're aiming for a law firm, chambers, or an in-house role, the Browne Jacobson FAIRE Virtual Insight Event is designed to help you get there faster, smarter, and with confidence.

Register now to secure your spot using the link below.

Browne Jacobson Law Work Experience - October Half Term Break Survey