

ALL ABOUT APPRENTICESHIPS

WHAT ARE THEY?

Apprenticeships are a vocational educational route where you train and develop your skills in real paid job and study part time at a college or university. These are a great alternative to the traditional full time study routes and are suitable for people wanting to develop skills and who perhaps aren't interested in full time study.

There are numerous levels to an apprenticeship:

- Level 2 is equivalent to GCSE level
- Level 3 is equivalent to A level
- Level 4 and 5 is at a higher educational level as is equivalent to national diplomas and foundation degrees

You can also do degree apprenticeships, which allow you to work a paid job with an employer and gain a degree alongside.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- You get paid to train for your chosen career!
- You develop the hands on skills that employers find valuable
- You learn the skills needed for industry directly from employers in that industry
- You still learn the theoretical knowledge with part time study
- You're on a career path from day 1!

WHERE CAN I DO THESE?

Colleges like Gateshead, Sunderland and Newcastle offer great apprenticeships that would kickstart your career in the right direction! They offer a variety of courses which are all listed on their websites. Universities like Teesside also offer degree apprenticeships.

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