

Apprenticeships and Employment

The Facts....

- 28,000 apprenticeships are currently available in the UK
- You can earn up to £300 a week
- Earn and Learn some companies will put you through a degree
- 90% of apprentices go on to be employed by their company





The Levels....

Name	Level	Equivalent qualifications
Intermediate	2	GCSE
Advanced	3	A Level
Higher	4-7	Foundation degree and above
Degree	6-7	Bachelors or Masters degree
Postgraduate	7	Graduate Diploma, Masters or PhD







Example Apprenticeships...

- Accountant
- Solicitor
- Motor Vehicle Engineer
- Chef
- Aeronautical Engineer
- Cyberspace Communications
- Social Care Worker
- Website Developer
- Social Media and Digital Marketing
- Photographer

Apprenticeships



Where to find out more....



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- www.apprenticeships.org
- www.ucas.com
- www.notgoingtouni.co.uk
- www.staidans.co.uk





Hear it from the apprentices...

• Sandra



• Connor



Samuel



• Alex

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Belzona Polymerics Limited

Belzona Training and Development Programme Sandra Sosnowska



Sixth Form

Subjects, Work Experience etc.

Subjects:

- Applied Science
- ICT
- Travel & Tourism
- Psychology (AS)

Work Experience:

- Worked since the age of 15
- Most recent job before the programme Carluccio's (Part Time)







Why choose an Apprenticeship/Programme?

Different route rather than University

- Never had the drive to go to Uni
- Didn't want **debt**, wanted to afford other luxuries myself e.g. car, etc.
- With this apprenticeship (programme) get head start, feel for every Department – includes variety of work opportunity such as Finance, Sales, Marketing, Engineering etc.
- First hand experience of working in a business



Application Process

What did it involve?

- Found the opportunity at Belzona through family friend and Careers mentioned it.
- Printed out application form ASAP to show I'm keen.
- Personally handed in the application myself face to face.
- Waited for reply, and made sure that whatever date was **available for the interview**
- Made a **good impression** (dressed appropriately for interview etc.)
- Did a little research on the Company to prepare for any questions that may not be straight forward to answer but was **honest** all the way through.
- Hoped for the best.



What do Belzona do?

Local Company

- A global designer and manufacturer of repair composite materials and industrial protective coatings.
- Work in many different industries: Power, Oil & Gas, Water/ wastewater, Marine
- Family owned business
- Based on Claro Road, Harrogate
- Corporate offices in Thailand, Miami and Canada
- Just celebrated 66th Anniversary







What does it involve?

- Year 1 spent a given amount of time in each Department (generally between 2-4 weeks). Departments worked with so far are as follows:
 - R&D
 - Engineering
 - Corporate Development
 - Finance
 - Marketing
- Year 2 is spent in the Departments I found the most interesting
- Don't judge any job without trying it e.g. Finance



Typical Day Time spent in Engineering:











Future Plans

What's next?

- Not sure as still have a few Departments left to spend time in
- Hoping whatever I choose this September, will turn out to be a fairly long career.
- If I had to choose a department now, I would choose Engineering.
- Always liked the idea of Engineering but was always put off about the fact of going to Uni and getting qualifications, but with this scheme, its perfect for me because I can get trained for what I need to on the job.





Advice

What I have learnt so far

- Try not to get pressured into anything from your friends, family and others.
- Apprentice opportunities are getting stronger and better.
- If you prefer training on the job rather than studying, this is perfect.
- Most importantly you gain work experience in the real life situations.





Thank you for your time

Any questions?







Apprenticeships

Connor Mulhall, O2 Telefonica UK







Overview

- About Me
- What is O2/What I do
- My experience
- Apprenticeships Vs University
- Statistics
- Pressures
- Q+A





About m

- Connor Mulhall
- St Aidan's 2010-17
- A level German and Politics
- Joined O2 Telefonica scheme Sept 2017







What is O2?/What I do

<u>Work</u>

- Job Title: Service Delivery Manager
- Customers: Sainsburys, Pure Gym, Manchester City FC, O2 Academies
- Leeds office/slough/ Oxford Street
- Conference

Training

- Level 3- A level
- QA
- Test and course based
- Work based training- O2 Campus
- Future opportunities





My Experience of Application

MP-Andrea Jenkyns

O2 Process

- Aptitude Test
- Video Interview
- Assessment Day
- Meet the Manager
- Job offer

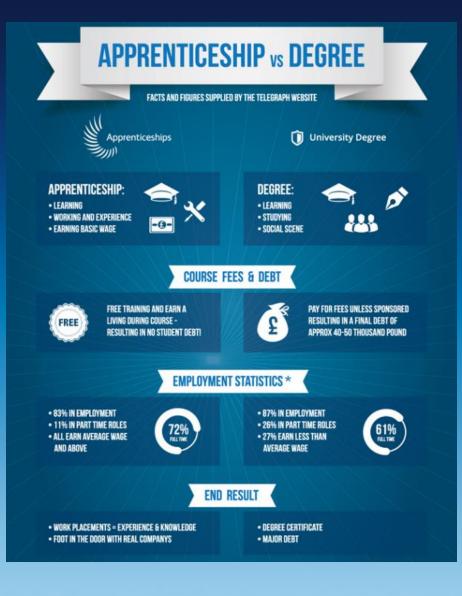
1300 Applicants

2018 Applications are now open for O2- Ask if you are interested

https://o2careers.co.uk/early-careers/apprenticeships



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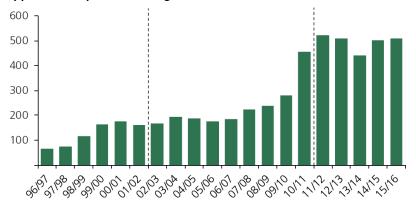






Telefonica

Apprenticeship starts in England since 1996/97, thousands



2016-17: Applications fallen by 61%







Construction, Planning and Build Environment: 21,000 (4.1%) up 3,000 on 2015

16,000 (3.2%) 15,000 (2.9%) up 2,000 on 2015 no change on 2015



8,000 (1.6%)

up 1,000 on 2015

Arts, Media 1,000 (0.2%)

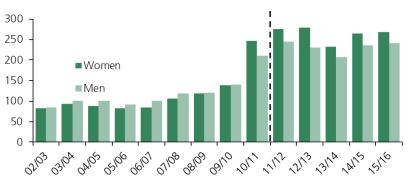
and Publishing: no change on 2015

OTE: Business Administration and Law represents almost 1/3 of all sectors but (along with Retail and Commercial Enterprise) experienced a decline in 2015 to 2016.

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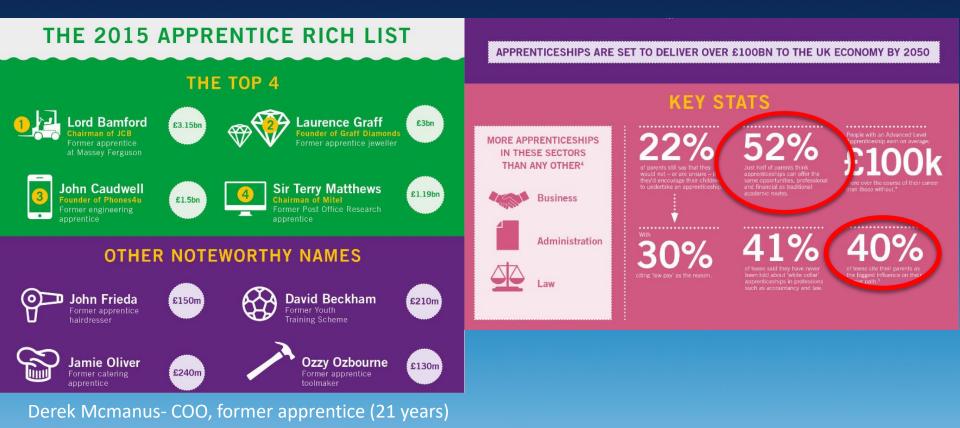
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Apprenticeship starts by gender in England since 2002/03, thousands









more for you O2



Pressures

- School
- Family
- Friends
- Job Market

"The fact is the brand of apprenticeships isn't where it needs to be; be it with schools, be it with employers, be it with parents. You can't change that overnight"

Euan Blair

It's YOUR future. Own it





Q+A







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Apprenticeships Accountancy | Auditing | Tax





From day one I was working with real clients on real work...

I can become a fully qualified accountant without having a degree, along with gaining invaluable work experience.

Sam Backhouse Senior Trainee Accountant Accountancy Apprenticeship – AAT with progression to Level 7 ACA





CASE STUDY





- My Background
- Why an apprenticeship?
- How did I get the job?
- What do I do?







Top Tips...

R esearch Research your potential career & how to get involved in the industry

E xperience Get in touch with anyone & everyone to get some experience in the job role.

S tudy Just because you don't plan on going to University doesn't mean your grades don't matter!

Unique Remember, job applications are a competition – what makes you unique & employable to someone else?

Listen Take advice from parents, teachers, career advisors - they have a lot more experience than you!

Time A Levels are hard enough without having too much on your plate – plan your time! Apprenticeships





