



# CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

## OPPORTUNITIES

Disability Pride Month takes place every July in the UK since 2015 and celebrates people with disabilities, their identities, culture and their contributions to society.



Did you know that employers can sign up to the Government's Disability Confident Scheme to showcase that they are an inclusive employer? The Disability Confident scheme has 3 levels that have been designed to job seekers and employers on their Disability Confident journey. Employers must complete each level before moving on to the next.



Here are some other links that you may find interesting:

- The Top 7 Disability Inclusive Employers
- Grants and Schemes to help Disabled People into work
- Evenbreak - The only global disability job board run by and for people with lived experience of disability.



Thinking about your career as a series of static jobs is a thing of the past. By learning about your strengths, skills, and values, you can easily work out a pathway that's right for you. Take the CADI Career Cluster quiz here.



EDT running Virtual Insight into University course! It is a comprehensive Virtual experience for Students in Years 11-13 which allows you to explore STEM studies at TOP Universities including Degree Apprenticeships and the Career opportunities that these subjects can lead to. The course will run over 8 weeks, (30<sup>th</sup> June - 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025) giving you the flexibility to complete it at your own pace and around other commitments. For full information and to apply click here.



EDT are running a parent and carer webinar on 17<sup>th</sup> July at 4pm for those interested in learning more about supporting their young person into STEM based careers. You can sign up here.

## JOB OF THE WEEK



Midwife

A midwife is a healthcare professional specialising in pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum care. They provide support, guidance, and care throughout the entire childbearing process, from antenatal care to postpartum care. Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, working hours and pathways into the industry.

## LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

10% of respondents to the Early Careers Survey had already altered their career plans due to AI. Those who changed their plans because of AI were more likely to have felt uncertain about their careers (46%) compared with those who had not made changes (37%).

Source

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Prospects Early Careers Survey 2025 reports the career aspirations and experiences of more than 4,000 students and graduates. The survey found that AI is quickly reshaping graduate career expectations, pushing many to rethink their paths. While 11% of graduates have already changed plans due to job displacement fears, AI is also creating new opportunities and empowering job seekers. This dynamic shift means graduates are not just reacting to change, but actively using AI tools to navigate and shape their future in an evolving landscape. Click [here](#) to read more.



We're sure your summer is filling up with exciting plans, but if you do find yourself with some free time, here are some things you can do to get ahead:



1. If you are currently finishing on a 2 year GCSE or A Level Programme, you can revise what you have learnt this year and/or begin pre reading for next years content.
2. Complete a [reflection journal](#) to consider your learnings from this academic year.
3. Make a list of new things you'd like to try next year, consider what skills you would gain from taking part in these things. For example, if you joined a team sport it is likely you would gain teamwork, communication and leadership skills.
4. Take part in a [Springpod Virtual Work Experience session](#).
5. Do a Social Media clean up... Did you know that nearly 70% of employers now routinely check candidates social media profiles?
6. Create a LinkedIn account. [Here is a guide from UCAS](#) to help you with this task.
7. Year 12s should consider doing a Personal Statement prep. You can draft bullet points of key experiences, achievements, and skills developed over the past year, ready for writing your [personal statement](#).
8. Year 10s should be preparing for college and sixth form open days. Review the courses you're interested in and create a list of questions you have. Year 12, you should be doing the same but for universities!

## EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"Network Rail's role is to run a safe, reliable and efficient railway, serving customers and communities. We're a company that is on the side of passengers and freight users; that is easy to engage with and is an efficient and dependable partner; a company people are proud to work for; instinctively recognised as an industry leader."

Read more about [National Rail Careers here](#).

## UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Imperial offers a world-leading and inclusive evidence-based education, embedded in a vibrant research environment. The mixture of science and business is what makes an Imperial education unique. Everyone belongs here. We're a community where you can be yourself, find your people and pursue your passions."

Read more about [Imperial College London's Courses here](#).

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