Apprenticeships – what you need to know
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Start work, earn a wage, and continue studying at a higher level.

Things to consider:

• You’re training for a specific job; you need to be confident you’re ready to start work.

• Find out as much as you can about the job role, and the career progression routes it could lead to.

• Competition can be tough - there’s limited numbers of vacancies available.

• You can apply for apprenticeship and university at the same time.
What is available

Over 80 apprenticeships are available in Scotland, these are sometimes referred to as frameworks.

You can use an apprenticeship to enter a wide range of careers in anything from engineering or software development to accountancy or marketing.

There are three types of apprenticeship available:
• Foundation apprenticeships
• Modern apprenticeships
• Graduate level apprenticeships
Investigate

• What is the apprenticeship level and job role – does it fit what you’re looking for?

• Find out about the employer – is it the type of company you want to work for?

• Find out about the training provider, college, or university where you could be studying.

• What subjects and grades are they looking for?

• What essential and desirable skills and experience do they ask for, and what qualities are they looking for in applicants?
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