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EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

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6th Form Schools and Colleges

Advice:

- ❖ Check entry requirements for your course
- ❖ Discuss options with the 6th form / college if you do not get the required grades
- ❖ Contact them directly
- ❖ Gloucestershire County Council's 6th Form and post 16 Guidance:

[Schools sixth form admissions | Gloucestershire County Council](#)

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College (SGS)

Web: [Full and Part time Courses available at SGS College](#)
Tel: 01453 763424



Cirencester College

Web: [16-19 Course Directory - Cirencester College](#)
Tel: 01285 640994
Email: admissions@cirencester.ac.uk



Hartbury College

Web: [Hartpury University and Hartpury College](#)
Tel: 01452 702244
Email: admissions@hartbury.ac.uk



Gloucestershire College

Web: [Courses And Apprenticeships | Gloucestershire College \(gloscol.ac.uk\)](#)
Tel: 0345 155 2020
Email: applications@gloscol.ac.uk



Forest Sports Education

Web: [Courses | Forest Sports Education](#)
Email: jordan.fishwick@vluk.org

Stage Door Learning (Performing Arts)

Web: [Home Page \(vluk.org\)](#)
Email: jenny@stagedoorlearning.org.uk

Cheltenham Town Football Academy

Web: ctfc.com/teams/the-academy/ Tel: 01242 254444

Training and Study Programmes

Bridge Training Study Programme

[Home - Bridge Training Ltd](#)

- Hair Dressing (Lv 1 & 2)
- Beauty (Entry Lv, Lv 1 & 2)
- Photography (Lv 1, 2 & GCSE)
- Health and Social Care (Lv 1- 2)
- Art and Design (Level 1, 2 & GCSE)
- Maths and English
- Travel and Tourism (Level 1)
- ESOL



Email: emmafeeney@bridgetrainingltd.co.uk

Tel: 01452 411112



Location: Gloucester

Email: enquiries@prospect-training.org.uk

Tel: 01452 300255

Prospect Training Study Programme

[Prospect Training Services | Home \(prospect-training.org.uk\)](#)

- Work experience
- Maths and English
- ESOL
- Career Planning, Job applications, Apprenticeships
- GCSE and Functional Skills
- Reading, writing, speaking English
- Illumin8
- Supports those young people with EHC Plans or support needs in a smaller group environment suitable for their development.
- Construction & CSCS



Location: Gloucester

Tel: 01452 923950

The Music Works

[Get Started with music - TheMusicWorks](#)

Get Started with Music Programme

- 16-25 year olds
- Meet & collaborate
- Support from industry professionals
- Master the basics of music production
- Professional recording studio
- Unlock progression opportunities
- The first session is free and from there it is £3 a session
- Every Monday between 6pm – 8pm (term time)
- Earn a Level 1 certificate in Music Leading

Get Started Music Programme

**Induction 21st
October 2024**

1:30 – 4:30

Register interest:

[Employmentandskillshub@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:shub@gloucestershire.gov.uk)

Meet a Mentor

Opportunity for young people to meet with one of their music leaders for guidance in developing their music journey. The Music Works can offer work experience, volunteering and advice and guidance on musical careers.

Commercial Foundations - No Limits

[Young Persons Hub | Commercial Foundation](#)

Start Dates

29th Oct 2024

21st Jan 2025

WE ARE. Commercial FOUNDATION

Location: Cheltenham

Tel: 01242 894 252

Mobile: 0776377279

Email:

Kareta.bradbury@commercialfoundation.co.uk

- Supports 16–25-year-olds.
- programme over 12 weeks.
- Real working environment, transferable skills for your CV.
- Mentoring support and career guidance.
- Support with job searching and applications etc.
- Help you gain routine and structure.
- Work experience with businesses including 'Commercial Group'.

Start Dates

16th Jan 2025

16th April 2025



gloucestershire college

Skills Accelerator

[Course Details | Gloucestershire College \(gloscol.ac.uk\)](#)

Location: Gloucester

Tel: 0345 155 2020

Email:

info@gloscol.ac.uk

- 8-week course to help you find work or an apprenticeship
- Gain skills for your CV and meet industry experts and motivational speakers.
- Gain a Level 1 Award in Progression, with units on Preparing for a Recruitment Interview and Equality & Diversity
- English and Maths refresher

Start Dates

29th Oct 2024

21st Jan 2025

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Spear Training

[Spear Programme - Resurgo](#)

Location:

Cheltenham

Tel: 01242 808780

Mobile: 07546 738985

Email:

info@resurgo.org.uk

- 4 week pre employment training for 16-24 year olds
- 6 month follow up support
- 1:1 sessions / group sessions
- Mock interviews; CV and job application support; Networking opportunities

Military Preparation College for Training

The programme includes physical exercise and personal development. Building Team work and communication Skills as well as Maths and English and NVQ Level 2 in Preparation for Military

Location: Gloucester

Email:
help@learningcurvegroup.co.uk

Tel: 0330 111 3939

Book:

**Induction days
are every Friday.
Book with the ink
below**

<https://mpct.co.uk/location/gloucester/>

Physical training
makes up 50% of the
course.

Weekly Military
Training.

Monthly Careers
sessions

The course is free and
no entry requirements
needed

The college cover modules such as:

- Communication skills for the military
- Teamwork skills for the military
- Health and Safety
- Navigation/Field Craft skills
- Leadership skills for the military
- Fitness for the military
- Understanding the industry

This is an example of their day-to-day timetable:

- **Morning:**
 - Breakfast is supplied between 0830 – 0900.
 - Classwork until lunchtime.
 - Lunchtime: Allowed to go out for food/drink.
- **Afternoon:**
 - Physical Training Activities this can be anything from circuit training in a studio at the leisure centre (GL1) , swimming, boxing fitness etc.
 - Team-building activities, such as carrying logs in groups (Log PT).

The college hold special careers days where Military, Navy, and Aircraft staff conduct mock interviews and presentations. There are occasional day visits/trips to military sites for career awareness and learners also get the chance to meet serving soldiers etc who come in occasionally to do career presentations and hear all about life in the forces. The college staff are all ex military too.

Creative Sustainability

Contact

Email:

hello@cscic.org

Tel:

07869267242

Online referral

[Attendee sign-up - Upshot](#)

Location:

Stroud

Fromehall Mill

3-6pm Mon - Fri

Email:

accessbike@cscic.org

Tel:

07482 104038

3rd Space Youth Programme

- vibrant, inclusive, safe, supported space for young people 16 to 25
- help build confidence and skills with multiple opportunities to access resources, connections, support, advocacy, and representation, towards better mental, emotional, and physical health and wellbeing.
- Join in on Residentials and Camps, Outdoor activities and workshops, Social time to develop and maintain friendships, Learning, volunteering and work opportunities
- Use the kitchen, IT Room, Music room and Art room

Access Bike

- community bike workshop & youth space for young people 13 - 25
- come together to build, repair and up-cycle old bikes.
- free access to our workshop space, bike-stands, tools, and mechanic support.
- refurbishing donated bikes and selling them at affordable price
- 'Earn a bike' through volunteering to fix up bikes for others

The Prince's Trust

Contact

Location: Gloucester

Tel: 07398684892

Email:

katie.vickers@younggloucs.org.uk

Prince's Trust CV Tips

This resource contains video interviews with colleagues, top tips on how to write a killer CV and stand out when applying for jobs.

There is also lots of useful advice on how to structure, organise and check your CV.

Prince's Trust 'Talk to us' programme:

Get careers guidance / advice and talk to Youth Support Advisors

9:00am to 6:00pm
Monday to Friday

[Live Chat](#)
(princestrust.org.uk)

Start Dates

21st Oct

11th Nov 2024

Team Programme

[Boost your confidence with Team | Get a job \(princes-trust.org.uk\)](#)

- 12 week Personal development programme for 16 – 25 year olds
- Take on your own group community project, making a positive difference to the place where you live
- take part in a fun-filled residential trip
- two weeks' work experience in something you're interested in
- Improve your English, maths, communication and teamwork skills
- develop your interview and CV skills

Explore

[Explore programme | Goal-setting and personal development \(princes-trust.org.uk\)](#)

- Try new things and develop life skills and boost your confidence
- meet new people
- improve teamwork, time management & communication skills
- outdoor learning, sports, arts and more
- Prince's Trust qualification - The Personal Development and Employability (PDE) Skills qualification

Enterprise

[Free support to start a business | Enterprise programme \(princes-trust.org.uk\)](#)

- Aged 18 to 30, develop business ideas into reality
- expert-led workshops and one-to-one support
- create strong business plans
- opportunities to apply for funding

Location:
Bristol

Face to Face /
virtual

12- 48 month

Virtual Resources & Online Learning

Harvard University

[Courses | Harvard University](#)

- online training programmes all available for immediate start
- course ranging all from different time lengths (1 weeks to 12 or more weeks)

Open University

[Free short courses from the Open University | OpenLearn - Open University](#)

- Online courses available for immediate start
- introductory to advance level qualifications.
- can include science, creative arts, languages, education and business, and more.

Home and Learn

[Free Beginners Computer Tutorials and Lessons \(homeandlearn.co.uk\)](#)

- Free online computer course for immediate start
- Courses can range from beginner to advance with courses offering android to Microsoft training programmes and web design.

Reed

[Free Courses & Training | reed.co.uk](#)

- Free online courses, ranging from interview and CV writing techniques to employment and training courses in subjected areas of interest.
- These courses are available for immediate start with subject to space available due to popular demands.



Virtual Resources & Online Learning

Online Pathway to Care Course

[Florence Academy](#)

- Pathway to Care is for anyone interested in working in UK social care.
- You don't need any previous care experience or qualifications to take this course. To build your knowledge of caregiving and what you can expect from a career in care, to help you find your first role in UK social care services.
- This course is for complete beginners and is designed to be taken before any other care qualifications, including the Level 1 Care Certificate.
- Pathway to Care is entirely online and made up of 11 modules, Chapters include videos, tips and guidance from industry experts. Self-assessment questions help test your knowledge at the end of each chapter.

Barclay's Life Skills

[LifeSkills | Developing work and life skills \(barclayslifeskills.com\)](#)

- free employability programme that supports people throughout the UK to develop the confidence, skills and knowledge they need to succeed in the workplace.
- Use their interactive tools and explore tips to discover how your interests and skills can help you find your path to success. As well as develop your interview, enterprise and employability skills to help prepare for your next steps.

Alison Courses

[Alison | Free Online Courses & Online Learning](#)

- Online portfolio of classes in a variety of different topics such as IT, Business, Construction etc

Work Experience and Volunteering

Regular places to check for Volunteering:

➤ **Go Volunteer Glos**

[Go Volunteer Glos](#)

➤ **Gloucester NHS**

[Gloucestershire](#)

[Hospitals NHS](#)

[Foundation Trust](#)

[website](#)

[\(gloshospitals.nhs.uk\)](#)

➤ **Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust**

[Home |](#)

[Gloucestershire](#)

[Wildlife Trust](#)

➤ **SkillZone**

[Volunteering](#)

[opportunities at](#)

[SkillZONE - SkillZONE](#)

[\(glosfire.gov.uk\)](#)

➤ **Gloucestershire Constabulary**

[Police volunteers |](#)

[Gloucestershire](#)

[Constabulary](#)

Ask Us

|Tel: 01452 426991 | Email: ask@gloucestershire.gov.uk|

- Specialist team to support with work experience
- The team can provide an industry specific list of companies to approach with your CV, with a named contact for each.

British Army - Work experience

[BASE - British Army Supporting Education \(mod.uk\)](#)

|Tel: 0345 600 8080 | Email: rg-nrcoutreachadmin@mod.gov.uk|

- Work experience for 14–18-year-olds
- 4 day residential

NHS Gloucestershire Hospitals

[Work for us \(gloshospitals.nhs.uk\)](#)

|Tel: 0300 422 5176 | email: ghn-tr.apprenticeships@nhs.net|

- Apprenticeship opportunities, work experience opportunities, Careers Q&As & Workshop sessions.

NHS Cadets

[NHS Cadets Advanced Programme \(16-18\) - Gloucestershire \(Wednesday\) |](#)
[SJA NHS Cadets](#)

Email: nhscadets@sj.org.uk

- 2 hours per week Programme over 36 weeks
- Opportunity to explore roles in healthcare and prepare for volunteering.

Forest Voluntary Action Forum

[Volunteering Booklet PRINTREADY \(fvaf.org.uk\)](#)

|Tel: 01594 822073 | Email: contact@fvaf.org.uk|

- volunteer centre for the Forest of Dean
- You can also visit FVAF Mon-Fri – 9:00am-1:00pm



Apprenticeships

5 Ways to Find an Apprenticeship

- 1.** Apply via the official government website, you can create a login and profile and start searching:

[Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\) Apprenticeships](https://www.gov.uk/apprenticeships)

- 2.** Search for apprenticeship vacancies via job-sites:

[Job Search | Indeed](#)

[Monster Jobs: Jobsite & Local job search | Find a Job today](#)

[Gloucestershire Jobs \(glosjobs.co.uk\)](https://glosjobs.co.uk)

- 3.** Apply direct to training providers that offer-apprenticeships:

[Further Education, Higher Education, Apprenticeships | Gloucestershire College \(gloscol.ac.uk\)](https://gloscol.ac.uk)

[Cirencester College – Sixth Form College](#)

[South Gloucestershire and Stroud College | Welcome \(sgscol.ac.uk\)](https://sgscol.ac.uk)

- 4.** Visit-other-apprenticeship-based sites:

[The South West Apprenticeship Company \(SWAC\) - The South West Apprenticeship Company \(SWAC\) \(theswac.org.uk\)](https://theswac.org.uk)

[GetMyFirstJob | Apprenticeships, Degree Apprenticeships, Work Experience & Graduate Jobs](#)

[Search apprenticeships | UCAS](#)

[Find Apprenticeships | RateMyApprenticeship](#)

- 5.** Speak to an employer directly about them taking you on as an apprentice. Then speak to a training provider about making this an official apprenticeship!

[Employer Support Team \(apprenticeships.gov.uk\)](https://apprenticeships.gov.uk)

Apprenticeship Helpline

Tel: 08000 150 600

Email: helpdesk@manage-apprenticeships.service.gov.uk.

What is an Apprenticeship?

- A job where you learn, gain experience, qualifications.
- You are an employee and are entitled to holiday leave and other benefits.
- You will complete part time studying for a qualification linked to the job that you are doing, either in the workplace, or at a local college or specialist training provider

Key Facts

- An apprenticeship takes a minimum of one year to complete.
- Minimum wage for an apprenticeship up to 17 is £6.40 per hour; (£8.60 per hour – 18–20-year-olds). the average apprenticeship wage is around £200 per week.
- Apprenticeships have entry criteria, you may need certain grades in Maths and English before being able to start

Job Searching

Below is some helpful information including recommended websites for job searching both locally and nationally.

Helpful Websites

Indeed

[Job Search | Indeed](#)

Gloucester College

[Further Education,
Higher Education,
Apprenticeships |
Gloucestershire
College
\(gloscol.ac.uk\)](#)

Jobsite

[Find 1000s of UK
Jobs. Start your job
search with Jobsite
UK](#)

NHS Jobs

[NHS Jobs](#)

Monster Jobs

[Monster Jobs: Jobsite
& Local job search |
Find a Job today](#)

Gov.uk/find a job

[Find a job - GOV.UK
\(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Jobs go Public

[Find a job that makes
a difference | UK
public sector and not
for profit jobs |
JobsGoPublic.com](#)

Youth Support Team

If you would like any support applying for jobs or would like further information, please contact us at:

Email: YSTOpportunitySupport@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Tel: 01452 415707

Job Centre Plus

[Support, training and advice on finding your next opportunity -
JobHelp](#)

Job Centre Plus offer more support to help young people back into work. They can help with CV tips, work experience, volunteering, interview tips, as well as improving confidence and motivation.

Proud to Care

[Proud to Care | Proud to Care Gloucestershire
\(proudtocareglos.org.uk\)](#)

Tel: 01452 426452 | Email: ptc@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Proud to Care are a local organisation, they collaborate with care providers in Gloucestershire to promote the sector and advertise local jobs.

Job Clubs

Gloucester

Gloucestershire Employment and Skills Job Club

- Specialist coaches and a tailored package and ongoing support will be made available to you whether you need training, a new career, advice, support, an apprenticeship and even more



Young Gloucestershire RISE Drop -in

- Offer support with employability, volunteering, training, CV Writing and interview preparation



Cheltenham

Cheltenham Borough Homes Job Clubs

Email: hannah.shingley@cbh.org | call/text Hannah on 07818587133

- Job clubs, maths, IT skills, budgeting and money management advice and healthy living support
- 2 locations, Oakley Community and Hester's Way. Timings vary depending on location



Cirencester

Churn Project

Email: jenny.slater@thechurn.org.uk

Churn Project offers 1 to 1 Support (appointment only) to help people find work for 18+ individuals. To book an appointment email the address above.



Dursley

GL11 Hub

Job Searching, CV and Cover Letter confidence



Tuesday 10am-1pm
 Gloucestershire County Council, 4th floor, 4-6 Commercial Road, Gloucester, GL1 2EA

Tuesday 10am- 1pm / Thursday 2- 4pm
 Young Gloucestershire Hub, Graphic House, Greyfriars, Gloucester, GL1 1TS

Oakley Community

Tuesday 10am – 12
 Oakley Community Resource Centre, Clyde Crescent, GL52 5QJ

Hester's Way

Wednesday 1am – 12
 Cassin Drive, GL51 7SU

Tel: 01285 380038

Email:

info@thechurn.org.uk

14-16 The Waterloo, Cirencester, Gloucestershire GL7 2PY

GL11 5JS

Tel: 01453 703608

Employers



Freemans Event Partners

[Freemans Event Partners | Award-Winning Event Management, Services & Solutions](#)

Email:
eventcateringstaff@freemans
eventpartners.co.uk

Work for 16-18-year-olds, primarily catering to young people under 18.

Opportunities include bar work (making drinks but not serving them).

Events: Work at events such as Cheltenham-Racecourse.

Tel: 01242 395 434

cheltenham@brightandbeautifulhome.com

Bright + Beautiful (Cleaning/Housekeeping)

[Housekeeping & Domestic Cleaning Services | Bright & Beautiful \(brightandbeautifulhome.com\)](#)

Requirements: Must be 18+ due to the use of cleaning chemicals.

Recruiting housekeepers with options for 2 or 3-day terms, both full-time and part-time roles.

Benefits: Full training, uniform provided, travel time paid, and career progression opportunities.

alex.bennett@timpson.com

Timpson



[Timpson | Great Service by Great People](#)

Accepts young people aged 16-18 with a willing attitude to learn and develop, providing training and development for their workers.

Timpson's also give an equal opportunities employer.



Mary P's Limited (Day Nursery)

[Welcome to Mary P's Limited – Mary P's Day Nursery](#)
 [\(marypsdaynursery.co.uk\)](http://marypsdaynursery.co.uk)

Vikki: 01684 291194

Email:

mail@marypsdaynursery.co.uk

Apprenticeships: Levels: 2 and 3; Ages: 16-18

Requirements: Enhanced DBS Check Subject to references

Support: Help with Maths and English if required

Voyage Care

[Voyage Care Jobs](#)

Provide support for vulnerable people with learning disabilities and complex needs across the UK.

Includes paid training and induction, funded DBS checks, and a confidential 24/7 helpline (V-assure).



Cotteswold Dairy

<https://www.cotteswold-dairy.co.uk/>

Primarily for individuals 18 years and older, with occasional Apprenticeship opportunities.

Training / Apprenticeships

Contact an advisor by emailing learning@cotteswold-dairy.co.uk or calling 01684 216806.

Cotteswold Dairy



Recruitment Agencies

Manpower/Walls

(Recruitment Agency for Walls Factory)

Email:
unileversouthwest@manpower.co.uk

Tel: 07483 919 636

Age Requirement (18+)

Application: Apply through the Manpower website or through Unilever: [Gloucester Jobs at Unilever](#)

Example Roles: Machine Operator/Production Operative
Pay: £13.66-£15.48 per hour. Overtime: Up to £30 per hour

Tel:

01242 505400

01242 505406

Email:

hello@rerecruitment.com

RE Recruitment – Recruitment Agency for Various Industries

Catering, Administrative, Technical, Engineering, Industrial, Hospitality, Agricultural, Transport

Degree Level Apprenticeship: requires 5 GCSEs 9 to 4 including Maths and English.

nicb@trainandrererecruitment.com (for catering roles)

Further Resources

The National Careers Service

useful in helping you decide what you would like to do and how to get there. There are lots of job profiles to explore as well as tools to help you consider what might suit you best.

The National Careers Service provides high quality, free and impartial careers advice, information, and guidance.

The service is available to anyone aged 13+ no matter what stage of the careers journey you're at.

Web Chat:

www.nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk

Tel: 0800 100900

World Skills UK

This website contains lots of useful advice and guidance on different career paths.

There are two useful toolkits on this website under 'Career Resources', which allow young people to watch demonstration videos of real-life workers showing the skills they have developed in each workplace and gain further advice on personal development and employability skills.

Worldskillsuk

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