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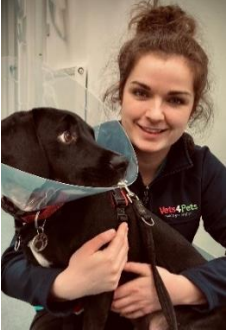
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| University | University of Leeds | Applying to Competitive Courses | This talk looks specifically at the difference between popular and competitive courses and explores the reasons why some courses are more competitive than others. We focus on what applications need in order to stand out, as well as looking at the steps admissions tutors take when dealing with applications. |  |
| University | University of Reading | Real Estate and Planning courses | Richard Nunes is a Lecturer in Urban Planning and Design, and the Admissions Tutor for the Undergraduate Real Estate Course at the Henley Business School. His interests relate to design, planning, and governance, especially where it involves the integration of urban ecosystem services into development planning processes and urban policy decision-making tools. He examines human-environment interactions, whether mediated by citizen actions or institutions, and its effects on the interplay of knowledge and policy development as well as strategic planning processes and outcomes. |  |

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| University | Royal Agricultural University | Business courses at the Royal Agricultural University | <p>Dr Ksenia Frolova: The Royal Agricultural University (RAU) is a university in Cirencester, Gloucestershire, England. Established in 1845,[4] it was the first agricultural college in the English-speaking world.[5] The university provides more than 30 land-based undergraduate and postgraduate programmes to students from over 45 countries through the School of Agriculture, the School of Business and Entrepreneurship, the School of Equine and the School of Real Estate and Land Management.</p> |  |
| University | University of Warwick | Why go to University | <p>Stephen Gray works on the Student Recruitment team at Warwick and enjoys meeting prospective students at schools and colleges throughout the UK. Stephen has extensive experience within the Higher Education sector, and has worked at Warwick for over five years. He is passionate about the university and the local area, and says he wouldn't want to be anywhere else!</p> <p>Why go to university?</p> <p>There are lots of great reasons for going to university. It's not just about getting a degree! In this session, join Stephen and one of Warwick's current students, as they explore some of the reasons for going, and take a look at what it's like to be a university student.</p> |  |
| Accountancy and management | DeLoitte | Deloitte: My experiences on a large graduate scheme and why school leaver programmes could be an alternative to university. | <p>Dan Lane: I left Princethorpe in 2013 and spent a year working at the College as a resident Teaching Assistant before going to the University of Exeter. There, I studied for a BSc in Economics and Finance and later an MSc in Financial Economics. I took up an offer to join the Deloitte graduate programme on completion of my Masters and I began working for the Audit and Assurance division of the Birmingham office in September 2018. Now in my third year, I am close to the end of my ACA training contract (the main route to becoming a Chartered Accountant), with one final exam to sit in the summer of 2021. I'm currently considering my options</p> |  |

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| | | | upon qualification but have a particular interest in Transactions Services (M&A) and Restructuring. | |
| Art and Film Design | | Art and design careers in the film industry and the role of a concept artist | Bob Cheshire is a concept designer working in the film industry. Previous titles include “Star Wars Ep IX” and Marvel’s “Endgame”. He’s recently worked on "Jurassic World; Dominion” which is out summer 2022 and has recently completed work on Marvel’s “Doctor Strange; The Multiverse of Madness”, out spring 2022. |  |
| Engineering | | How to Design a Hyper Car | Paul Arkesden: After graduating from University with a degree in Engineering, Paul began his career with an automotive consultancy as an Engine Design and Analysis Engineer. Later, Paul joined Rolls-Royce as a Powertrain Engineer. After Rolls-Royce, Paul held several senior positions in the automotive industry, including management positions at Jaguar Land Rover, Ford and McLaren where he was the Program Manager for Ultimate Series Cars and Head of Product Development for their Special Operations division. Paul is currently Global Programs Director for an Engineering Consultancy working on future technologies for the car industry. Paul is a proud STEAM Ambassador and Chartered Mechanical Engineer with the Institute of Mechanical Engineers, and a strong advocate of the profession. Managing his work life balance, Paul enjoys listening to music, skiing as often as he can and spending time with his family. |  |

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| Information Technology | Telent | Looking for a career in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) and wondering what is the best route? | <p>Mark Maclean: has worked through an Apprenticeship, University and Graduate Programme, in the development of a career in ICT, and now heads up a successful Engineering function that recruits and develops today's engineers</p> |  |
| Law | Wright Hassall LLP | Careers in Law | <p>Robert Lee Head of Corporate and owner at Wright Hassall LLP, Robert has specialised in corporate acquisitions, disposals and takeovers across the UK and Europe for over 25 years. He has particular expertise in the retail sector and acts for a range of clients from large privately-owned companies to entrepreneurial ventures, including start-ups. Robert has two sons currently at Princethorpe and is a member of Princethorpe's Development Committee. Robert will outline the opportunities available to a solicitor at Wright Hassall.</p> |  |

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| Retail/Business/Management | Aldi | Retail Management / What do employers look for in an application' | <p>James Hutcheson: was born in London in 1973. He studied Business Administration at the University of Bath and joined Aldi as an Area Manager in 2000, after previously working for Coopers & Lybrand and BMW.</p> <p>James was promoted to Store Operations Director for the Scottish region of the UK in 2004 and then to Managing Director of the North West region in 2012. He was promoted to Managing Director Finance & Administration – UK & Ireland in January 2015. Responsibilities include; Financial Planning and Reporting, HR, Corporate Property, Risk & Compliance and Health & Safety. James is married to Becca and has two children; Beth, who is in Upper Sixth at Princethorpe and Alex who has joined the 'Old Princethorpians'. Other than spending time with the family, interests include anything active or car related.</p> |  |
| Technology & infrastructure | Highways England | Technology careers in the transport sector | <p>Kelly Goodwin: I am the Deputy Chief Information Officer and Technology Strategy and Commercial Director for Highways England.</p> <p>My key focus presently is creating a strategic direction that will enable the organisation to deliver the Road Investment period 2020-2025 through the use of digital, data and technology. I graduated in Law from Birmingham University and hold a number of post graduate qualifications including a Master's in Business Administration. With 15 years of experience in the technology field I am very proud to be recognised as a technologist and expert in my field, considering I started my journey with a different career in mind. I have held responsibility for running the London Underground operations, developing solutions to support the High Speed 2 programme and at Highways England leading the digital transformation agenda. My legal and commercial training adds another dimension to my experience traditionally missing from technology roles. I am a mentor both internally and externally, with a particular interest in supporting STEM and Women in technology initiatives.</p> |  |

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| Teaching | | Becoming a Teacher | <p>Alice Reed Having always loved geography at school, I went on to study it at University. After uni I was lucky enough to combine my love of geography and travelling with that of teaching, and I taught at schools in Ghana and Nicaragua, as well as being a volcano trek tour guide - every geography teacher's dream!</p> <p>I started my PGCE in September 2020 after two years of working in London, and it has been one of the best decisions I've ever made.</p> |  |
| Vet | | Becoming a Vet | <p>Laura O'Hanlon attended Princethorpe College from Year 7 all the way through to Sixth Form, when I left in 2013. Following this I had a gap year, before studying Veterinary Science at the University of Liverpool. After 5 years of study, I graduated in 2019 with a Distinction. I went on to work at Vets 4 Pets in Rugby as a Veterinary Surgeon, and have been working there since January 2020.</p> |  |