

Careers Fair 2021 - Speaker Categories and Biographies for 10am Talks

Categories	Company	Talk Title	Biographies	Photo
Chartered Surveyors, Auctioneers, Land and Estate Agency	Howkins and Harrison.	Careers Opportunities in the Property Industry	 Jeff Paybody: H & H are a multi-discipline firm of chartered surveyors, auctioneers land and estate agents, planning and development consultants who operate across the three sectors of property being commercial covering shops, offices and warehousing, Land, Farms and rural services and residential sales and lettings throughout the midlands. Established in 1888 we historically acted for farmers and landowners dealing with agricultural matters and over the years the business has diversified into residential and commercial property planning and development. I am one of four equity partners who own and operate the business based at our head office in Rugby. We have six other offices in Warwickshire, Northamptonshire and Leicestershire and we employ around 100 staff. I trained as a rural practice chartered surveyor and attended Harper Adams agricultural college before joining H & H in 1998 to become a qualified surveyor in 2000. I have since specialised in planning a development and act for farmers and landowners in finding ways to develop their land for housing or industrial use. We ordinarily employ a number of surveying graduates each year which we train to secure their RICS (Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors accreditation) either following a degree course or via correspondence course. We have also looked at taking on surveying apprentices but Covid has put this on hold. 	

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University	Buckingham	What makes us different? (home of the 2 year degree)	 Alex Gates: As pioneers of the two-year degree, at the University of Buckingham we offer a condensed version of traditional three-year degrees, meaning you can gain a full honors degree and complete your studies a whole year earlier; saving you time and money. Alternatively, you could complete both your undergraduate and master's degrees with us in just three years, setting you apart from your peers as you enter the job market upon graduating. We offer degrees in Business, Computing, Digital News and Media, Economics, English Literature, Entrepreneurship, History and History of Art, International Studies, Law, Marketing, Medicine, Modern Languages, Philosophy, Podiatry, Politics and Psychology. Our award-winning small class tutorials ensure every student is known by name and supported throughout their studies. We have been ranked 1st for Student Satisfaction by The Complete University Guide for the last three years running 	
University	Nottingham Trent	Student Life	Victoria Sutton: Nottingham Trent University (NTU) is one of the largest and most popular universities in the UK. At NTU, you'll get a student experience that's hard to match – quality courses and facilities across three unique campuses in the heart of one of the UK's best student cities	

E	Dxford Media Business School	Oxford Media Business School Business Diploma	 Andrea Freeman: Oxford Media and Business School is owned by Principal Andrea Freeman; Myers Briggs consultant; NVQ Assessor; Examination board examiner and Co-ed senior school governor and the course is taught by established industry professionals - our Marketing tutor launched Big Brother for Channel 4 and was the first Marketing Director for Channel 5! A little bit about the course: The Professional Business Diploma at 'OMBS' is a full time, intensive course, starting in September and ending with graduation at the beginning of July. The course we offer is practical, realistic and teaches the skills that we know employers want you to have. We focus on Digital Marketing, Social Media, Business Communications, Advanced IT and now more than ever, interview/videoconferencing software. The Professional Business Diploma is a great Gap Year option now travelling is on hold, as an alternative to university for those students who do not want to commit to 3 years or for graduates who are looking to gain the practical business skills they need to enter the world of work. We have student accommodation situated in central Oxford, so our students can live the student life in the famous university city, whilst gaining a valuable qualification. We teach small classes of 14, with a dedicated group tutor who is responsible for our students' academic journey and pastoral care. We feel strongly that if you want to be known for being you and not just a number on a register, then this could be the course for you. 	
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Accountancy and business	KPMG	Life at KPMG. Working as an Apprentice at one of the Big Four Accounting Firms	Liam Jarrett: Having left Princethorpe after A-levels in 2018, I decided to choose an alternative route to University by embarking on an Apprenticeship working towards a Chartered Accountancy ACA qualification with KPMG, one of the four largest professional services networks in the world which make up part of the 'Big Four' accounting firms. Over the past two years, I have been involved in the audit side of the business working on a range of client engagements within both private and public sector. Further to this I have also completed placements in the counter fraud team working closely in partnership with the NHS to provide counter fraud services to NHS Trusts across the country.	
Architecture	Robotham Architects Ltd	Careers in the design of buildings	Andrew Foster: joined Robothams Architects in 1991 for a week's work experience. Twenty-nine years later he is still there and has progressed from photocopying to leading the design of multi million pound projects.	
Armed Forces - Army	Army	Careers in the Army	Daniel Hackett: The modern British Army offers anyone an exciting and varied career from cyber specialists to lawyers, to police officers and even teachers. You can be sure we offer a vast range of career choices to meet your ambitions and goals. No day in the army is the same and we take pride in that. We say a career in the army is more than just a career, it's a lifestyle choice with the outdoor living, sports and adventurous training we offer. Our talk will immerse you in army life, the modern British Army, where we operate around the world, salaries and what we look for in potential officers	

Law - Barrister		Becoming a Barrister	 Lucy Coulson qualified as a barrister in 2016 and have since practiced from 18 St John Street Chambers in Manchester. I predominantly practice in personal injury law, but also sustain some niche areas of practice including the regulation of Teachers. I have been appointed to the Attorney General's Regional Civil Panel which allows me to work on behalf of the government. I undertake advocacy work including interim hearings and trials, as well as paperwork including advices and drafting of documents. Prior to qualification I worked for the advocacy firm LPC Law and in house as an advocate for Browne Jacobson LLP. 	
Cyber-Security	Nettitude	Cyber Security – Can you Hack it?	Aaron Thacker: I work at Nettitude as a security consultant intern, taking part in the Accelerator Scheme. I have always had an interest in taking things apart and breaking them, which led to me studying a degree in Ethical Hacking and Cyber Security at Coventry University. Working at Nettitude has made me realise my passion for pen-testing, and how satisfying it can be breaking into applications. Before working at Nettitude, I built web applications and IoT devices for a local technology company. Nettitude has given me the opportunity to pursue more qualifications and gain more experience in the field.	
			Charles Mason: I currently work as a security consultant at Nettitude, a leading cybersecurity services company. Before joining Nettitude I studied Electronic Engineering at the University of Southampton, where throughout my degree I discovered that I was finding the few cybersecurity modules that I took to be a lot more interesting than the electronics modules! This led me to pursue a career in cybersecurity, and after a short time working as an IT Technician, I was offered a job at Nettitude on their "Accelerator" scheme. I've now been working at Nettitude for just over a year and a half where I get the opportunity to assess the security of diverse organisations located all over the world.	

Fashion and Textile Design		Making a Fashion Degree work	Wendy Kay is a Fashion Lecture and Module Leader at Conde Nast College of Fashion & Design (London) and will be talking about the importance of a design degree in the world of fashion, giving an insight into the role of the Fashion Buyer, and looking at other important job opportunities in the fashion industry. This session will appeal to anyone who has an interest in design, fashion or textiles and would like to learn more about the pathways to a successful career in being creative! Wendy trained in fashion & textile design, completed a B.A. (Hons) Degree in Fashion Design & Marketing, and then a post-graduate M.A. Degree in Fashion & Textile Studies. For 10 years she worked as a Fashion Retail Buyer for key high-street retailers M&S, Next, The Burton Group (Arcadia) and Adams Childrenswear, covering product areas such as Womenswear, Menswear and Childrenswear.	
Retail/Business /Management	Leyland	Transforming a Retail Business	Jonathan Jennings is CEO of London based retailer, Leyland SDM, which sells paint, power tools, hardware and other construction materials to the DIY and trade markets through an expanding network of 29 retail stores. The product range extends to almost 20,000 different items held in stock in a central distribution center in Wembley sourced from suppliers in the UK, EU and Far East. With a turnover approaching £100 Million per annum and ambitious expansion plans it makes it an exciting and challenging place to be at the moment.	
University	Warwick	Student Funding and Finance presentation	Chrissie Cooper: The Student Funding and Finance presentation covers a range of topics, focusing in detail on Student Finance and making applications to Student Finance England, the cost of living at university, budgeting and money management. We also cover loan repayments and information regarding scholarships and bursaries.	

Physiotherapy	Physiotherapy - opportunities to help people live their best lives	 Dr Mark Williams is currently Principal Lecturer and Programme Lead for Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation at Oxford Brookes University. After graduating from Southampton University, Mark started his professional life as a junior Physiotherapist at University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust. Since then he has moved around the UK to work in various private practice, research, teaching, management and leadership roles. He has a particular interest in rehabilitation of trauma and orthopaedic conditions. He currently lives by the sea in Wales with his wife and two sons, where he loves to run or cycle up and down hills. 	
Psychology	Becoming a Psychologist	After leaving Princethorpe College in 2012, Alex Neal went on to study for her BSc in Psychology at the University of Exeter. She completed her dissertation on the link between parental depression and child low self-esteem and volunteered alongside studying at a charity for young people experiencing mental health difficulties. After graduating in 2015, she went on to work in a CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service) inpatient unit supporting young people with severe eating disorders and their families. From here she moved into a role as an Assistant Psychologist in Community CAMHS in Surrey. After gaining a solid foundation in child and adolescent services she went on to get her Postgraduate Certificate in CBT from the University of Surrey in 2017. She then worked for 2 years as a CBT practitioner with adults experiencing mental health difficulties like depression, anxiety, OCD and eating disorders in IAPT. In 2019 she was delighted to be offered a place on the Doctorate in Counselling Psychology at the University of Roehampton. As part of her current training, she is undertaking a research project on bisexual women's experiences of domestic violence alongside learning humanistic and psychodynamic models of therapy and working for community counselling and NHS counselling services.	