



Cheshire College
South & West

CAREERS PROGRAMME

Helping
students achieve
their very best...

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2025–2026

Careers Programme

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Cheshire College – South & West is committed to delivering a stable careers programme that meets the needs of all students (including 16–19 students, Apprentices and Adult students). Our programme is designed to raise aspirations, expand horizons and ensure students leave college with a strong understanding of the local and national labour markets as well as the key skills needed for their next steps. All students have access to one-to-one careers appointment at a time of their choosing. Careers Education is also embedded throughout their programme.



Rhys

Secondary School:
Whitby High School

Course:
Computing National Extended Diploma
Level 3

Next Chapter:
2nd Line Technical and Infrastructure
Support Apprenticeship with Renovotec Ltd

"The Careers Team
were instrumental in supporting me to get
involved with the
Employer Readiness
Programme, which was the main reason
I was able to secure
my apprenticeship with
Renovotec!"

Full Time Students

Full time students can expect to receive a range of careers support throughout their study programme to support them with their career aspirations and includes:



One-to-one careers advice and guidance



Access to events such as our annual Careers Fair and Apprenticeships and Jobs Fair



Guest employer and University speakers



Access to skills competitions; local, regional and national such as WorldSkills



Trips and visits



Employability support such as mock interviews, CV workshops and how to create a LinkedIn profile



National Apprenticeships Week and National Careers Week activities



Work experience



Access to our online Resources
Accessible through the QR code below



Futures Programme



The Futures Programme at Cheshire College – South & West provides our students with coaching, support and unique opportunities to ensure your goals for the future are achieved.

Whether your dream is to go to a top university or start on the career ladder in a highly respected industry, we'll work with you to boost your skills and confidence throughout your time with us.

Our Programmes

Scholars Programme

The Scholars Programme is a unique programme designed for Cheshire College students who intend to be 'Early Applicants' in that they aspire to study at Oxbridge or to study medicine, dentistry or veterinary science.

Key features:



Specialist support and bespoke enrichment activities



Oxford Partnership programme in English, Philosophy, Humanities, Languages and Sciences



Oxbridge coaching for competitive courses in medicine, dentistry and veterinary subjects



Preparation for the Admissions Test and interviews



Access to online University resources via the QR code:



Sam

Secondary School:
Malbank High School

Course:
A Level Economics, Politics, Business

Next Chapter:
Level 4 Project Management
Apprenticeship at Infastructure

"You are in control of your own future!
The Honours Programme provided a great level of support in exploring my options"



Honours Programme

The Honours Programme is the programme for students who aspire to secure a place at universities such as the prestigious Russell Group, high-level employment or an apprenticeship.



Aspiring Scientists



Aspiring Leaders



Aspiring Creators



Aspiring Teachers

The Russell Group represents 24 leading UK universities that maintain the very best research, outstanding teaching and learning and have unrivalled links with businesses and the public sector.

Key features:



Networking events with industry experts and academics



Hands-on experience in your chosen field



Bespoke support and skills workshops

Apprentices



All apprentices can expect to receive a range of careers support throughout their apprenticeship to ensure that they gain a strong understanding of the jobs and skills required locally and nationally and to confidently manage their career.

We know that careers support for apprentices can significantly enhance their outcomes which is why apprentices can access any of the below throughout their apprenticeship programme:



One-to-one careers support and guidance



Industry visits/conferences



Bespoke access to a number of online resources



Guest employer and university guest speakers



National Apprenticeships Week activities

Apprentice Careers Resource Tile

A dedicated student intranet site which includes:

Calendar of key up and coming events

CV and cover letter templates

Information on psychometric testing

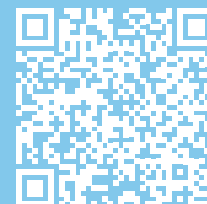
Links to key websites

To access the site, click or scan the QR code



Association of Apprentices

To sign up, click or scan the QR code below:



Association of Apprentices (AoA) which is free to all Cheshire College Apprentices and provides access to:



Exclusive webinars and masterclasses on industry updates



Networking events with fellow apprentices, employers and industry experts



Resources and tools to support apprentices with their professional and career development



Opportunities to contribute to shaping the future of apprenticeships through feedback and engagement



Adult Students

**National
Careers
Service**

All adult students can expect to receive careers education throughout their study programme to support them with their next steps and beyond.

Along with our Careers team, we work closely with the National Careers Service to support our adult students.



One-to-one careers advice and guidance covering a range of support including:

Career progression	Online profiles and social media
Changing careers	Job searching



Group employability sessions covering:

CV workshops	Mock Interviews
Cover letter workshops	Application workshops



Exclusive onsite events to update on key industry and employment trends



Guest employer and university speakers



Access to our annual Careers Fair and Apprenticeships and Jobs Fair



Information for Parents and Carers

We understand that it can be overwhelming exploring the different options and knowing what opportunities are available to young people. Therefore, in addition to supporting our full-time students with their career options, parents and carers can access any of the below to help them in navigating their young person's post-College options:



Annual programme of webinars covering a range of topics:

- Welcome Webinar
Overview of the support available and how these can be accessed
- Post-College Options
- University Support



Parents Evening



Receive regular updates through the Careers and Futures Newsletter



Flexible careers support
(online, telephone or onsite)



Careers Fairs and Apprenticeships and Jobs Fairs

proportal

Access to online parent platform, Proportal

Key Dates

Careers Fairs

Crewe Campus → Thursday 25 September 2025

Chester Campus → Thursday 2 October 2025

Ellesmere Port Campus → Thursday 9 October 2025

UCAS Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science

Deadline 15 October 2025

UCAS Deadline

Monday 26 January 2026

National Apprenticeships Week

Monday 9 February 2026 → Friday 13 February 2026

Apprenticeships & Jobs Fair

Crewe Campus → Monday 9 February 2026

Ellesmere Port Campus → Wednesday 11 February 2026

National Careers Week

Monday 2 March 2026 → Friday 6 March 2026

Progression Guidance Meetings

March → April 2026

A Level Results Day

Thursday 13 August 2026

GCSE Results Day

Thursday 20 August 2026

Get in Touch!

If you would like to book an appointment with a Careers Advisor or have a question about your career options, scan or click on the QR code below:



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