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FUTURE
STARTS
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OWN YOUR CAREER WITH LIVERPOOL

Whether you have always had a specific career path in mind, or you're unsure at the moment, we'll help you find where you want to be – and support you to get there.

From the day you arrive at Liverpool, we'll be working with you to help you realise your ambitions. We have developed a holistic approach to prepare you for your future career, and it's an approach which gets results for our students.

We're in the top 25 most targeted universities in the Times Top 100 Graduate Recruiters

Based on the last two years of graduate outcomes data, 95.3% of our graduates were in employment or further study 15 months after graduating.

OUR PROMISE TO YOU

We'll get to know you really well. From day one we will be moving you through your employability journey. You'll meet lots of new people along the way and have the opportunity to try exciting things in new environments. By the time you leave us you will understand what comes next and be ready for success.

Emma Moore
Director of Careers and Employability

A UNIQUE OFFER

At Liverpool our goal is to support you to build your intellectual, social and cultural capital for the future. We want you to graduate as a socially-conscious global citizen who is prepared for future success and so our educational offer (your programme of study) and our Careers and Employability support are designed to help you get there. **We focus on three core themes:**

Embedding employability within your curriculum

Employability skills are embedded within your course and modules. And across many of our programmes, you'll find opportunities to get real world experience, such as placements in industry or real-world projects connecting you with future employers.

Providing you with opportunities to gain experience and develop connections with people and organisations

Our Employer Connections team will keep you connected with the very best student and graduate employers. And our Global Alumni will support you by sharing advice and providing informal mentoring through Liverpool Connect.

Providing you with the latest tools and skills so that you can thrive in a competitive world

You'll also have a comprehensive toolbox of practical support at your disposal, including Handshake, a platform which allows you to get personalised job recommendations and apply; and you'll get support with writing CVs and applications, and preparing to succeed at assessment centres, interviews and psychometric tests.

See the back of this leaflet for more about what this means in practice.

CAREER STUDIO

Peer-to-peer learning is at the heart of what we do. We're proud to have opened the UK's first Career Studio where our fully trained career coaches are students just like you. They provide support with all aspects of planning your career journey and applying for jobs.



GET READY TO GROW

You'll probably never have greater opportunities open to you than you will at university. Learn a new skill, join a society, study abroad, get a part time job or volunteer...

It's all here for you to take advantage of, you just need to take the first step. And every opportunity you take helps to build transferrable skills that are great for your CV to help you stand out from the crowd.

We asked some of our current students and alumni to share their tips for making the most of your time here to take control of your career.



IDENTIFY YOUR SKILLS GAPS, AND TRY AND FILL THEM!

I realised during a first year module on CVs that I needed to take action to build skills and be able to evidence them, so I started applying for internships and work experience. I took on an internship over the summer - my first ever 9 to 5.

I learned a lot about myself was able to demonstrate communication skills and commitment. From here on, I started to be successful at applying for opportunities, and with each opportunity, my skill set improved. I developed skills of networking, self-reflection, teamwork, problem solving, working with people at all levels, as well as planning, organising and time management. I also learned the ability to appear self-confident even when I'm not, and how to adapt to different working styles and cultures.

Nachi

Computer Science with Software Development BSc

Now working as a Product Manager for BlackRock

BE ADAPTABLE AND POSITIVE WHEN FACED WITH CHALLENGES



My placement year in early 2020 at First Mile Technologies in Toronto, Canada had to be cut short due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It had been a fantastic experience and I was able to travel around Canada and the United States meeting many influential people. I got a great insight into how corporate life works and what is expected from you in the real-life workplace. My placement being cut short was disappointing, but once back home I took on a job at my local Co-Op. I'd never worked in a shop before so it was a huge challenge, it took a few shifts to get used to the way things worked, but I developed skills I never thought I had and I can honestly say it's been one of my favourite jobs so far.

Nikhil

International Business with a Year in Industry BA
Now working as a Graduate Analyst at Cognizant



VISIT THE CAREER STUDIO EARLY

Before starting University, I knew I needed to gain additional skills which I wouldn't solely get from my degree, so in my first year I met with a Coach in the Career Studio. They helped to boost my confidence and prompted me to become a peer mentor and now I'm a Career Coach! Both opportunities have given me invaluable life skills to take with me in my future career.

Alex

Computer Science with Software Development BSc
Now working as a Solutions Consultant at FactSet

GET INVOLVED IN DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES

I love my course and I'm thoroughly enjoying modules I never imagined I would like. The University also provides so many opportunities for us to enhance our CV and boost our employability. With reference to law, there are so many prospects that I can get involved with such as the Law Clinic and the Pro Bono team. We are given constant exposure to professionals in our field and the Career Studio helps us with CV's, mock interviews and finding an internship or a job.

Frequent career fairs ensure students build contacts and network with prospective employers. Liverpool is one of the best at supporting students in terms of employability.

Rishma

Law LLB



George

Psychology BSc

Now working as a
Project Consultant
at Gradconsult Ltd

DEVELOP SKILLS BY VOLUNTEERING

Before coming to university, I assumed my degree alone would lead to me into a field of work that I liked, but I underestimated the challenge and competitiveness of getting a job. I knew I needed to add additional skills to my CV such as part time work, so over the last few years whilst studying I have worked both part time and volunteered in a related field to my career choice.



OUR CAREERS OFFER IN A NUTSHELL

GAIN EXPERIENCE

Get involved in immersive work-based experiences and the sharing of reflection, self-awareness and peer learning.

Some programmes have integrated placements, employer led elements in modules and real-world dissertation projects connecting you with future employers.

Access free virtual work experience/ internships. Build your resume, experience what real work looks like and learn critical skills.

Participate in extracurricular careers events and challenges.

DEVELOP CONNECTIONS

We use our links with industry and employer partnerships to provide authentic real-world experiences in the curriculum for students.

Make use of our careers studio, work with our career coaches and use our online platform Handshake – to get personalised job recommendations. Apply in as few as two clicks.

Meet with employers to learn more about career routes, company culture and open roles at careers events.

STAND OUT FROM THE CROWD

Develop skills to search for jobs, get personalised advice and feedback on writing CVs, cover letters and personal statements.

Get real experience of assessment centres, video interviews, psychometric tests, and more.

Be prepared for the transition to work, with workplace skills development.

Take advantage of a range of modules, digital tools and skills sessions to brush up your skills.

Once you've graduated, you'll have access to industry specific professional networks with our Global Alumni and you'll be able to continue to use our services for up to five years.

If you'd like to know more about our Career Studio or how to boost your career prospects whilst at University why not have a chat with our current students to find out how they're using their time

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