The Priory Learning Trust Virtual Careers Convention

2023-24











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Local Colleges and 6th Forms include...

- Weston College
- Bridgwater and Taunton College
- ► SGS
- City of Bristol College
- Boomsatsuma
- Access Creative College
- Bristol City Robins Foundation

- ► The King Alfred School 6th Form
- ► Churchill 6th Form
- ► Nailsea 6th Form
- ► Backwell 6th Form
- Winterstoke Hundred Academy

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Click here to find out about the post 16 education qualifications and options available to you

Weston College

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Bridgwater and Taunton College

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SGS College

For info on **Sport** academies click here

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City of Bristol College

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Boomsatsuma

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Click here to view their digital prospectus!

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The King Alfred School 6th Form

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Please contact doug.radnidge@tkasa.theplt.org.uk to arrange a tour of the 6th Form

Churchill 6th Form

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Nailsea 6th Form

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Backwell 6th Form





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Post 16 Education - qualifications and options

School based 6th Forms offer A Levels and some BTEC Certificates/ Diplomas that can be taken in combination with each other, whereas Further Education Colleges tend to offer a range of A Levels and stand alone vocational qualifications including T Levels and apprenticeships. Colleges offer more flexibility in terms of entry requirements. Where you study depends on your preferences and the qualification you want to study. You can apply to as many places, for as many courses as you like and make your mind up later. Click on the links below to find out more about each type of qualification.

Click to watch a video that talks through all of this information



- A Levels
- Applied General/ Vocational qualifications
- ► <u>T Levels</u>
- Apprenticeships
- ► <u>International Baccalaureate (IB)</u>







Year 11 Careers and Progression Information





A Levels

- A Levels are academic, classroom based qualifications
- You can take A Levels in schools with 6th Forms and at Further Education Colleges.
- They are good preparation if you are thinking of going onto Higher Education or if you are not sure of your career plans, as they can keep your options open.
- Find out more...

Why Choose A Levels?

<u>Click here</u> to watch a video about how to choose your A Level subjects



Applied General/ Vocational Qualifications

Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

These practical learning programmes relate to specific job roles or employment sectors and run at various levels depending on GCSE results/ experience

Find out more about these qualifications here

- As well as time in class, they also include an emphasis on work experience and are designed with employers, universities and professional/trade organisations. They are referred to in various ways and include BTECs, Diplomas, Certificates, C&G, VRQ and more
- **Some** progression opportunities: University, Apprenticeship (higher/degree) or Employment
- Who do they suit?
- Ideal for students with one specific subject or vocational area in mind, with a practical and 'hands on' learning style.
- To note: These qualifications are being phased out and replaced by T Levels and T Level Transition Programmes. Click here to find out about T Levels.

Vocational courses

A training programme which focuses on practical work. The 'Vocational' part of the name refers to the fact that this course prepares you for a vocation – a particular skillset required in different types of jobs.















T-Levels

- ► T Levels are the equivalent of three A Levels. They combine classroom theory, practical learning and an industry placement to ensure students have the skills to thrive in the world of work.
- As well as offering a clear line of sight to industry, T Levels are recognised by UCAS to support applications to study at some universities.
- Colleges now offer many T-Levels at level 3. The range of subjects you can study is increasing each year and there are now level 2 'T Level Transition programmes' to allow students to pursue the opportunity if they did not achieve the grades needed at school.

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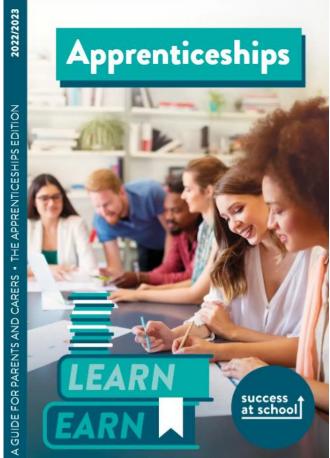
- Find out more here...
- ► T Levels
- ► T Level Transition Programmes (level 2)

T-Levels Short for Technical Levels. T-Levels are a practical, employer-led alternative to A-Levels, designed to get students work ready. Structure of a T-Level A technical qualification, which includes: core theory, concepts and skills for an industry area specialist skills and knowledge for an occupation or career an industry placement with an employer **Level 2 Maths** courses by Get work ready 2023 and English 1T-Level Alternative to 3 A-Levels A-Levels Designed by 45 day industry **Progression** employers placement options

Apprenticeships

- Apprenticeships are ideal if you have a clear idea of the career you'd like to pursue, and you're willing to commit to work and study. Unlike in school or at college, the majority of your learning will be through on-the-job training in your place of work.
- Apprenticeships aren't the 'easy' option. Holding down a full-time job and studying takes commitment and hard work, and it won't be right for everyone.
- Find out more about apprenticeships and how to apply for them...
- Apprenticeships info

Click here for parent guide to apprenticeships





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International Baccalaureate (IB)

- An alternative to A Levels that is highly regarded by universities including Russell Group and Oxbridge, and employers worldwide. As with A Levels the IB is very much an academic route, but unlike A Levels where 3 subjects are chosen, when studying the IB you choose to study 6 subjects, giving students a broader pathway through FE.
- ► This is often only available at fee paying, independent schools. It is however offered at Bridgwater and Taunton College for free. Click here to find out more.



Universities and HE Providers include:

















- Click on the logos to visit the websites or...
- ► To research ALL universities, entry requirements, course content and more head to UCAS
- To find out about Student Finance <u>click here</u>

Or click here to find out about...

Higher or Degree level apprenticeships

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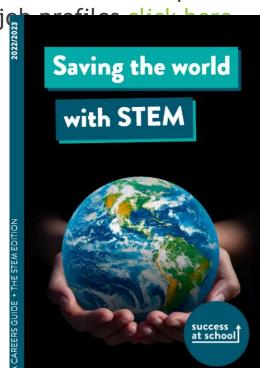
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Labour Market Information

These are the current employment trends in the South West. (most recent data)

To learn about various different career paths and



Labour Market Information:

West of England

Our Labour Market Information covers Bath & North East Somerset, Bristol, South Gloucestershire and North Somerset.



There are over 46,000 businesses in the West of England, employing around 627,000 people across a wide range of sectors.

Apprenticeships

had dipped

because of the

pandemic. But,

since March 2021.

there has been a

spike in

opportunities.

Most common jobs by sector in 2019

- 1. Retail 14%
- 2. Health 14%
- 3. Education 9%
- 4. Scientific Services 9%
- 5. Administration 8%
- 6. Transport and Storage 8%
- 7. Government 6%
- 8. Manufacturing 6%
- 9. Construction 5%

10.IT 5%

Recruitment figures for 2020

Top occupations:
Programmer/Software
Development
Nurse
Care Worker
Managers
Sales

Entry level:

Construction
Catering
Retail
Nursing
Cleaners

Graduate level:

Biological Scientists
Business and Financial
Electrical Engineers
Sales
Mechanical Engineers









Top skills requested by employers.

Teamwork Collaboration Software Engineering Budgeting

Software / IT/ Digital roles

- Analytics
- Cyber Security
- Games & Animation
- Networking & Cloud Infrastructure
- Programming & Software Development

Key growth areas for jobs

- Software/IT/Digital
- Engineering
- Creative
- Construction
- · Health and Social care
- · Professional Services
- Business and Public Service Professionals
- · Low-carbon Economy

For more information visit:

The West of England Combined Authority website LMI & Resources: West of England Combined Authority

Click this for more career ideas

Armed Forces

- ▶ The Armed Forces offer a great range of careers and travel experiences.
- ▶ We recommend joining at age 18, after completing some time at college or 6th Form, or even after completing a degree at university.
- Find out more about the joining process and entry options.
- Use the role finders to discover careers available.





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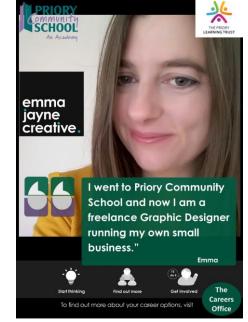
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▶ What have our students gone on to do? Click here to find out...

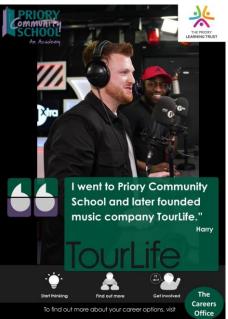


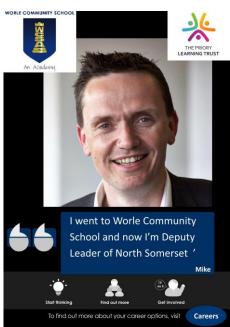






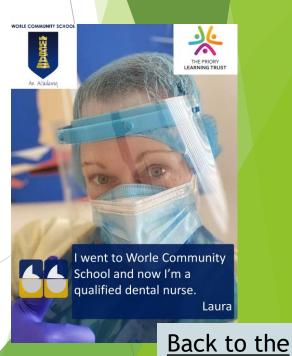






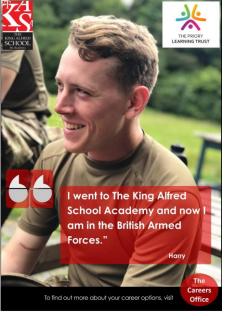




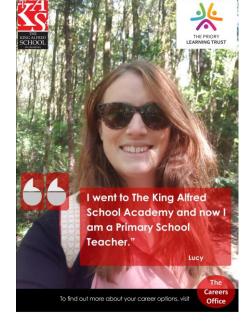


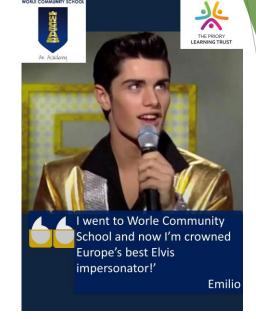
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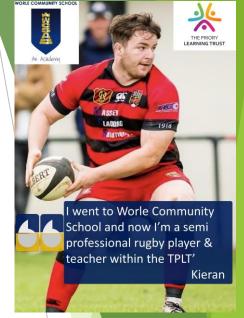
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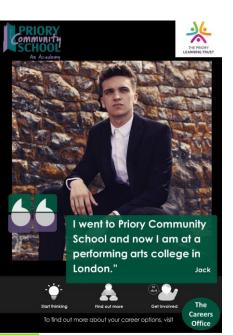




















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 Or contact the college, 6th form or training provider directly through their websites' contact page