

## Employability Matters!

### The Kings Careers & Employability Bulletin

#### Kings Sixth Form course of the Term

Kings Sixth is an exciting, vibrant, and successful community that we want you to be part of. Each term we will showcase one of the inspiring courses we have on offer.

#### Film Studies A Level

Film Studies will offer you an opportunity to explore a range of contemporary and historical films and film movements. As well as developing your enjoyment of film, you will be encouraged to acquire critical and practical skills through the construction and analysis of a variety of film texts culminating in a five-minute short film for coursework. The course is demanding but very rewarding and is excellent preparation for a wide range of post-18 study and employment options.

Find out more: [6th Form Prospectus](#) and [Course information](#)

#### Apprenticeship of the Term

On an apprenticeship, you're employed to do a real job while studying for a formal qualification, usually for one day a week either at a college or training centre. By the end of your apprenticeship, you'll hopefully have gained the skills and knowledge needed to either succeed in your chosen career or progress onto the next apprenticeship level. Each term we will highlight an interesting opportunity so that you have greater awareness of the possibilities available to you.

#### Prescription Clerk Apprentice Langford Surgery

Assist patients obtaining their medications in a timely and safe manner, ensuring patients are directed to appropriate services relating to their healthcare in a courteous, efficient, and effective way. Manage expectations of patients, carers, or guardians to provide a high standard of patient service.

Find out more: [Prescription Clerk Apprentice](#)

#### University of the Term

You don't have to go to university and can build a career without a degree - but university can offer so much more than just a career path at the end. Going to university is a great way to expand your knowledge, meet new people, experience a new culture, and enjoy



## Welcome back to "Employability Matters!"

Each term we will showcase a variety of employability and careers information to guide and support you on your journey to work. Make sure to follow any links in the document to get complete information about each opportunity.

#### Careers & Employability Guidance

If you would like a 1:1 careers appointment please contact your tutor – they will refer you to Mrs Devlin, Employability Co-ordinator, as needed.

#### All- Years Drop- In Sessions

Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday lunchtime you can call into the Employability & Learning Hub (ELH) for a quick chat with Mrs Devlin. You can look at prospectuses, work on your UCAS application or research your next steps. The ELH is opposite the memorial gate entrance to school.

#### Calling all students!

**Don't forget to check out the new additions to the Employability section of the Kings website, including Labour Market Information.**

#### Useful websites & Information

Careers information and support for students aged 11-19:  
[Careerpilot : Plan your future work & study](#)

For information about apprenticeships:  
[Find an apprenticeship](#)  
[Amazing Apprenticeships](#)  
[Apprenticeship search / Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education](#)





For up to date information about universities and applying to HE:  
[UCAS | At the heart of connecting people to higher education](#)

new experiences. You'll get plenty of support at university, and a chance to experience a great student lifestyle. You will choose a subject to study at an advanced level. Each term we will introduce you to a university and provide a link for you to find out more:

## **University of South Wales**

USW is in an exceptional part of the UK, with city life, mountains, and coast. With campuses in Cardiff, Newport, and Pontypridd, you can enjoy all that south Wales has to offer – city life and culture, stunning beaches and breathtaking countryside.

### RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

 <b>Cyber University of the Year for third year</b>	 <b>£20 million health education contracts awarded</b>	 <b>Produced more CEOs than any other Welsh university</b>	 <b>Students named top global prize winners</b>
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Explore further here: [University of South Wales](#)

## **University Course of the Term**

Each term we will showcase a degree course offered at the university of the month to inspire and inform you.

### **BSc (Hons) Nursing (Child)**

Would you like a dynamic and challenging career as a children's nurse? Children and young people's nurses deliver care which is child centred within a family context. Children's nurses can understand the developmental needs of children from birth to transition into adult life and how this is affected by ill health.

This three-year child nursing degree combines theory and practice in an innovative way, to focus on the care of children across a wide range of healthcare settings. This course is part of the Nursing and Midwifery subject area which is ranked Top In Wales for course satisfaction and teaching - Guardian League Table 2021.

Find out more: [BSc \(Hons\) Nursing \(Child\)](#)

## **Job / industry of the Term**

Every term we will focus on a job or industry that will help you find more about the huge variety of jobs that are available in the UK.

### **Cartographer**

Cartographers collect information about the geography of an area to design and produce maps, charts and plans. You can find out more about a career in cartography from:

- the [British Cartographic Society](#)
- [Ordnance Survey](#)

You can get into this job through:

a university course  
an apprenticeship  
working towards this role  
the armed forces

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<p>You can take a degree in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• geography</li> <li>• geographical information systems (GIS)</li> <li>• land surveying</li> <li>• earth sciences</li> <li>• oceanography</li> </ul> <p>Employers may also accept degrees in other subjects like computer science, software engineering or graphic design.</p> <p>A postgraduate qualification may help you to find work in a specialist field of cartography like Geographic Information Systems (GIS).</p>	<p>The following apprenticeships may be relevant to this role:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• geospatial and mapping science specialist degree apprenticeship</li> <li>• geospatial survey technician advanced apprenticeship</li> </ul>	<p>You may be able to get into this job by starting as a trainee cartographic technician and working your way up.</p> <p>Employers may expect you to have completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an apprenticeship in geospatial surveying</li> <li>• A levels in geography, art and design, mathematics or computing</li> <li>• a relevant level 3 course</li> </ul>	<p>If you want to work as a cartographer in the armed forces, you can apply to <a href="#">become a geographic technician with the Army</a> or the <a href="#">join the Royal Air Force an air cartographer</a>.</p> <p>When you leave the services, you could use your experience to find work in commercial cartography and mapping.</p>
<p><b>Entry requirements</b></p> <p>You'll usually need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree</li> <li>• a degree in a relevant subject for postgraduate study</li> </ul>	<p><b>Entry requirements</b></p> <p>You'll usually need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths, for an advanced apprenticeship</li> <li>• 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C) and A levels, or equivalent, for a higher or degree apprenticeship</li> </ul>	<p><b>Entry requirements</b></p> <p>You'll usually need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• some GCSEs, usually including English and maths, or equivalent, for an intermediate apprenticeship</li> <li>• 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths, for an advanced apprenticeship</li> </ul>	

## Employability Skill of the Term

Most employers look for certain skills and qualities in job candidates in addition to academic qualifications. Known as employability skills, these skills may not be job-specific, but they play an important role in improving your performance and value in the workplace.

Employers have high regard for employability skills because they are much harder to teach than job-specific skills. Some employable qualities come naturally, while others can be acquired through education, work, or daily practice. You may already have some of the key employment skills, but you can work to improve those skills and develop new ones. In each edition of Employability Matters we will explore the employability skills that employers look for.

### **Numeracy Skills**

Numeracy is the ability to work with numbers, including the use of mathematical formula, such as multiplication, division, ratios, and percentages.

Employers often look for an ability to reason with numerical data such as being able to compile statistical data in various formats, and analyse, interpret, and present the data in a clear way. Numerical skills increasingly involve using online tools and software effectively, such as using Excel.

**Explore more about numeracy skills here:**

[Numeracy skills](#)