

AMAZING APPRENTICESHIPS: NAW IS NEXT WEEK

Next week (5 -11 February) is National Apprenticeship Week (NAW). The week shines a spotlight on the possibilities of apprenticeships, including degree level apprenticeships.

Being able to earn while you learn - and as part of some apprenticeships gain a funded degree - is an increasingly popular choice. During NAW on Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 February we will be welcoming a range of organisations to HNC who will be sharing more about the apprenticeships they have available, and sharing their hints and tips about how you can secure an opportunity. Join us in the Junction between 10am - 1.15pm to meet organisations to include:

- * Squire Patton Boggs (Solicitors)
- * TSL Volunteering Kirklees
- * Kirklees College
- * Jacobs Engineering
- * Kirklees Council
- * Heart of Yorkshire Group (Wakefield College)
- * National Business College
- * NHS
- * Woodspeen Training - apprenticeships
- * West Yorkshire Police
- * Bradford College
- * Portland House Nurseries
- * West Yorkshire Learning Partnership
- * Forget Me Not Hospice
- * Sheffield Hallam University
- * Syngenta
- * Waterman Group (Engineering/building)
- * The National Trust
- * Locala
- * Kirkwood Hospice
- * NHD Tax Solutions
- * Age UK
- * Kirklees Council
- * Dial Wood Carriage Driving for the Disabled

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Race Equality Week

Did you know that only a quarter of people believe that their employer is making an impact on tackling race inequality in the workplace? And only 21% say their managers are making an impact on tackling race inequality?

Next week is Race Equality Week a national week that highlights the need to tackle race equality in the workplace. This year's theme is #ListenActChange and looks at how everyone needs to tackle race inequality. As employees of the future, during the week we'll be prompting discussion about why race inequality is everyone's business, what happens in some workplaces and getting you thinking about why micro-aggressions or comments should be challenged. Staff will also be in the Junction to discuss how you can play your part in achieving race equality in the workplace when you progress beyond HNC.



Cyber Savvy Top Tip

Avoid the ads! When using search engines in the browser please do not click on the first link you come to these are known as 'sponsored links' which can cause potential issues.

Scammers/hackers can hijack these and this can lead to inadvertent filtering blocks and potential malware attacks. They can also send false reporting to the Safeguarding team. Good practice is to scroll down a bit each time you search and you won't have to worry about supporting a scammer. Often these links aren't what you're searching for anyway, or, if they are, they lead you to "deals" or other pages you're not interested in

Get ready for the start of block 3 enrichment

Block 3 enrichment starts on Monday 19 February and runs up until 18 March. Part two of block 3 enrichment then runs 8 April - 6 May. Please ensure you check your timetable carefully, and ensure you attend your enrichment. If you are signed up to block 2 enrichment don't forget that the second part of block 2 will run 19 February - 18 March too.

Block 3 is the final enrichment block of this academic year, to enable you to concentrate on exam revision. A small number of you may be signed up to all year round enrichment.

As a HNC student you can experience an incredible enrichment offer, and we have been delighted to see so many of you enjoying the opportunities on offer. We will soon be reviewing this year, and planning your 2025 offer.

STAND OUT WITH WORK EXPERIENCE

As a College we are enhancing the range of work experience opportunities you can apply for. Don't forget to check the Teams Career channel for info - some of the recent exciting opportunities have included Locala (healthcare and business healthcare roles) and a special opportunity with the BBC! While you will need to apply for most of these, support is available in College with this process. Undertaking work experience seriously enhances your job and university applications, and for some highly competitive courses such as midwifery is essential.

We can also support you if you are looking to set up a specific work experience opportunity. Email r.king@huddnewcoll.ac.uk for information.

Don't forget that College breaks for half term on Friday 9 February. Students return on Monday 19 February