

Careers and Employability Service
What Can I Do With My Degree?
Education

Introduction

This resource is designed for you to discover what you can do with your degree. It contains information on:

- [Skills gained through your degree](#) - useful in career decision-making and when applying for graduate jobs
- [Overview of the main career areas with your degree](#) - to help you understand what other students with your degree have gone on to do
- [Links to selected relevant professional bodies and associations](#) - to help you understand the sector and also provide advice and information
- [Finding opportunities](#) - including finding jobs and internships, volunteering opportunities, specialist recruitment agencies.
- [Further study](#) - professional qualifications and programmes aligned to your first degree

Skills gained through your degree:

In a competitive graduate labour market, it is important that you are able to demonstrate the key skills that you have developed through your degree programme.

Reflecting upon the skills you have gained and your skill strengths can also be helpful in career decision making. The following resources can help you to understand the skills gained from your degree.

[Prospects](#) – Take a look at the “Skills for your CV” section

[Understanding your skills](#)

[Your course learning outcomes](#) – Your course modules contain aims and learning outcomes. These are useful in assisting you to recognise and reflect upon the skills developed during your studies. The programme specification document for your course also includes a number of skills that you should have developed throughout your time studying.

Overview of the main career areas with your degree

Aside from a variety of teaching-related careers, Education graduates are also equipped for numerous roles in a wide variety of career sectors. Some additional popular roles include: Civil Service, marketing, business, human resources, and retail management, among many more.

The resources below will enable you to explore these in more detail.

[Prospects](#)

[TargetJobs](#)

[National Careers Service](#)

[What Do Graduates Do?](#)

[Teaching and education](#) – Information on routes into teaching, trends in the Education sector and wider jobs in Education

[Alternative careers in Education](#) – Information about a range of careers in Education as an alternative to teaching

Links to selected professional bodies and associations

[Association of University Administrators](#) - professional association for higher education administrators and managers

[Department for Education](#) – The government department responsible for Education

[Institute of School Business Leadership](#) - support all school business management professionals

[NALDIC](#) - the national subject association for English as an additional language

[NATECLA](#) - the National Association for Teaching English and Community Languages to Adults

[Society for Education and Training](#) - Qualified Teacher Learning and Skills (QTLS) for post-16 education and training

[National Association of Special Educational Needs](#) - promoting the advancement and development of all individuals with SEND/ALN

Finding relevant opportunities

This section suggests selected sources of opportunities that are most closely linked to your degree. Remember though, that students studying your subject can enter a much wider range of career options.

[Get into Teaching](#) – Department for Education in England

[Teach in Scotland](#) – Target Postgrad

[Teaching in Wales](#) – Target Postgrad

[Teaching in Northern Ireland](#) – Target Postgrad

[School Experience Programme](#) - School experience is a vital part of your application and can evidence your commitment to teaching. Register via this link

[Volunteering in schools advice](#)

[Teach First](#) – The Teach First charity (England and Wales) aims to address educational disadvantages by training teachers to teach in challenging schools

Teaching jobs are generally advertised through the County's website, such as [Hampshire](#) and [Portsmouth](#), but most schools in Southampton manage their own recruitment so you need to contact each school directly.

[Times Educational Supplement](#)

[jobs.ac.uk](#)

[education jobs](#)

[edustaff](#)

[eteach](#)

Further study

[Teaching](#) – advice on the routes to becoming a teacher, choosing a teacher training course and funding.

[Prospects](#) – Search postgraduate courses, advice and funding information

[Target Postgrad](#) – advice and information on postgraduate study

[Careers Service](#) – includes information on Law, Teaching and Medicine