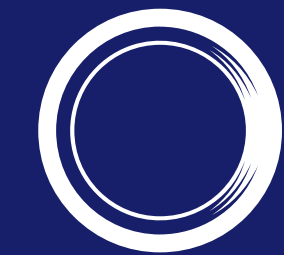


Careers Programme

Aiming for your ideal career



Oldham College

Exploring different jobs

Autumn	Introduction to the Careers Service	These activities are suitable for all learners
Autumn	Enterprise Week (Be Your Own Boss)	
Autumn	Exploring careers and the labour market	
Autumn, Spring	What are apprenticeships?	
Autumn, Spring	What skills do employers want?	
Autumn, Spring, Summer	Encounters with employers, which could include: masterclasses by industry experts / classroom sessions delivered by employers / guest speakers / employment fairs	
Autumn, Spring, Summer	One-to-one career guidance; interviews with qualified career advisers	
Autumn, Spring, Summer	Skills competitions (including Skills Week and WorldSkills UK)	
Autumn, Spring, Summer	Experience of work placements / internships / volunteering	
Spring, Summer	What next? Explore options after completing your course including T-Levels, Higher Technical Qualifications, Vocational Courses or Apprenticeships	

Getting a job

Autumn	How to make and adapt a winning CV	These activities are suitable for all learners
Autumn	How to write a cover letter	
Autumn, Spring	Completing a job application	
Spring	How to succeed in interviews	
Spring, Summer	How to be a successful job hunter in line with the current labour market conditions	

Aiming higher

Autumn	Why higher education?	Level 3, 1 st Year Learners
Spring, Summer	Apply for Student Finance, including Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA). You should also attend the Student Finance information sessions at college delivered by Student Finance England (SFE)	
Spring, Summer	UCAS Sessions: How to apply / How to find the right university and degree / How to write a winning personal statement / How to succeed at university interviews (delivered by universities)	
Autumn, Spring, Summer	University subject-specific talks, visits and attending Open Days	All Level 3 Learners
Autumn, Spring, Summer	UCAS application and university mock interviews	
Autumn, Spring, Summer	UCAS drop-in sessions are available to help with application forms and personal statements	

Careers events

Spring	SEND Careers Event (Oldham College)	SEND Learners
Autumn, Spring, Summer	UCAS Discovery event, June 2026	All Learners
Autumn	HE Week / University Fair November 2025	Level 3 Learners
Autumn	UCAS Create Your Future Event (Manchester)	

Key Dates

College Deadline for UCAS, 14th Nov '25
UCAS Deadline, 14th Jan '26

National Apprenticeships Week, 9th-15th Feb '26
National Careers Week, 2nd-7th Mar '26



Personal and Professional Development