

Career Spotlight—Photography

A career in photography can be hugely rewarding, for many reasons including:

- Ability to use creative skills
- Potential to travel the world
- Turning a hobby into a career
- Leaving a documented legacy
- Huge range of career options
- Experiencing something different every day
- Raising awareness and having a impact around key issues across the world
- Potential to have the freedom of being self-employed
- Constant learning opportunities as technology advances

All of the sites below provide resources and information for those who may want to consider photography as a career option: (click on each heading for more detail)

WIX Photography

10 careers you can actually live off
Provides details of the top photography
careers; giving an insight into each role and
highlighting the skills required, how to start a
career, and the environments and
opportunities that may arise.

Photography Course.Net

15 highest paying photography jobs

Details the best paying photography careers, with an overview of the pros and cons of each role. Also gives a guide as to what salaries can be expected.

My World of Work—Photographer

Gives a insight into what it's actually like to have a career in photography. Explains what the hours could be, the types of environment you may work in, the skills that are needed, and the qualifications that may be required. There are also links to search for relevant courses and job opportunities.

National Careers Service—Photography

Provides details on how to become photographer, including qualifications, what kind of skills are required, what you can expect to do on a day to day basis, and the career progression that may be available

Prospects—Photography

Explains all the job roles available for a photographer, plus other careers that may be available with a photography qualification. Details why work experience and a good portfolio are necessary for this career. Explains the different types of employers and what skills you may need in addition to formal qualifications.

Indeed

What can you do with a photography degree? Highlights 12 jobs that can be considered with a photography qualification. It details primary duties and the average salary that can be expected.



Festival of Apprenticeships

30 June—Kia Oval, London



A roadshow exhibition promoting and celebrating apprenticeships. Designed as a one-stop-shop for everything about apprenticeships, there will be employers and training providers available to discuss everything about apprenticeships. There will be a skills zone where attendees can find out about opportunities to improve their skills, an employability zone where visitors can learn about career opportunities, cv writing and application advice, and a networking zone where exhibitors and potential new apprentices can meet and discuss opportunities.

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Parents & Carers Pack



Helping your child search & apply for Apprenticeships. This edition covers a range of apprenticeships topics, including:

- Apprenticeships in catering and hospitality
- Apprenticeships uncovered
- Preparing to meet apprenticeship employers

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Tips for an open day

Attending a university open day is always a good idea if you are considering this route. It will give you an opportunity to get a feel for the university and preferred course, see what the local area and accommodation are like, speak to current students and tutors, and meet other potential new students.

UCAS gives essential tips for before and after a university open day, including suggestions such as writing a list of questions, decide which talks and tours to attend, plan how to get there, whether there is a virtual tour rather than attending in person, check student reviews, think about the type of university (campus vs. city) and location.

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JTL Apprenticeships

A not-for-profit charity that offers apprenticeships across England and Wales. Working with more than 100 colleges, they have training centres in cities around the UK. They offer a selection of apprenticeships in building services; including electrical, property maintenance, gas engineering and plumbing & heating. Apprenticeships can start from age 16 and take four years to complete.

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"The Parent Perspective" Podcast



Training People

A series aimed at parents and carers who are supporting their students with careers advice and guidance. In June, Rachel Burden (of BBC Radio 5) will be joining the team to cover areas such as:

- Exploring Careers
- Showcasing interesting & diverse role models
- Insights into how the world of work is changing

Rachel will be speaking to a range of parents and carers to help with practical suggestions and advice to support students with their next steps. Parents/carers can now submit their own questions/discussion topics.

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What Uni?

Which university course to choose: helping your child

Aimed at parents/carers with a student that is considering university, this resource provides advice and support on how you can best help. Suggests what type of support you can provide, how to make the best of a university open day, how and why you should order a range of prospectuses, making a pros and cons list and encouraging a student to have a long term view.

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Writing a CV

A CV, which stands for Curriculum Vitae, is a document used when applying for jobs, and in some cases training courses. It allows you to summarize your education, skills and experience, enabling you to successfully promote your abilities to potential employers. There are lots of resources available to help produce a good CV, some of which are listed below:



National Careers Service

CV Tips

An overview of why a CV is needed, how to start, different layouts, what to include and other useful tips

Youth Employment UK

How to Write Your First CV

Aimed at students preparing their first CV; includes advice on why you need one, what to include, personal statement tips, what counts as work experience and what not to include.

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How to Write a CV

What to include as an introduction, what work experience to include, your education and grades, other achievements, skills, hobbies and interests, and who should be a referee.

Jobs.ac.uk

10 things not to do on your CV

Mistakes that applicants sometimes make that will exclude you from getting any further or being overlooked. These can include spelling and grammatical errors, unexplained gaps and misleading information.

Prospects

How to Write a CV

An overview of what a CV is, how long it should be, what to include, advice on the best format, tips on how to write a "good" CV and how to fill any gaps caused by Covid-19.

Success at School

How to Write a CV for an Apprenticeship

Focussing on a strong CV for apprenticeship applications, including how to get the structure and format right, tips on writing a personal profile, how to explain skills and achievements and how to focus on transferrable skills.

Indeed

Writing a CV with no Work Experience

School leavers may often have very little, if any, work experience. This resource offers suggestions on how to focus on other skills, strengths and experiences that help develop the best CV. Advice on what to include, how to highlight skills, how to focus on education and tips on other areas to consider.

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Swim England

How to become a Swimming Teacher

Qualifications to become a swimming teacher can be taken as early as aged 16. Currently, there is a nationwide shortage of teachers, and it is a great opportunity to gain skills and qualifications to help with a range of career paths. Salaries range from £8.75 p/h to over £20.00 p/h, and roles can often be part time and/or flexible. Swim England also offer apprenticeships—Leisure Team Member and Leisure Duty Manger.

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Hertfordshire Opportunities Portal

A one-stop-shop for all students, parents, employers and training providers across Hertfordshire, with advice advise and guidance about training, apprenticeships and employment. The site provides a range of support including:

- Investigating different careers paths/sectors
- Finding local jobs, training and apprenticeship vacancies
- Understanding work experience
- School leaver options
- Starting a business

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