

Starting Point

Employability & Careers Hub

Graduate Job Search

One of the questions you may ask about your Graduate Job Search is "Where do I start"? It doesn't matter where or how you start, as long as you have discipline and focus to treat your job search itself like a job – show up prepared, communicate clearly and work well with others, spend the time to get it done, and stand out!

Before you start

It can be helpful to take a step back and think about your approach before sending out loads of CV's or applications. Here are somethings to think about:

- Do you know what you want to do for a career?
- Do you know what you want from a job?
- Do you know what you have to offer an employer?

By asking these questions will help you focus your approach on searching for a graduate job. Remember to ensure that your CV is current and reflective of all your qualifications, skills and experience.

When to apply

Graduate jobs are available all year-round, however many of the larger companies will start to seek applications during semester one so it is important to plan ahead and it's never too early to start thinking about that graduate job.

Where to look

We would advertise Graduate Jobs within our <u>Careers Connect</u> and for Graduate Leadership Programme – check out <u>Recruit</u>

You can discuss your graduate options by calling into the Employability & Careers Hub (Monday – Thursday 9am - 4:30pm and Friday 9am - 3:30pm), you can also book your Advice Consultation online.

Fairs

Recruitment Fairs happen on campus during October were organisations promote their graduate job opportunities. Also the Northern Ireland Graduate Recruitment Fair is held during mid-June. Check out the Employability Portal for more information

Online Sources

There are many online sources for graduate vacancies, the following are valuable:

- GradIreland the graduate jobs and careers website: https://gradireland.com/work-experience
- Prospects advice and services to help students and graduates to make informed choices about their career options: https://www.prospects.ac.uk/
- Target Jobs graduate jobs: https://targetjobs.co.uk/
- Employment 4 Students: graduate job options, search https://www.e4s.co.uk/search/internship-jobs
- Milkround Graduate jobs and internships: https://www.milkround.com/

Northern Ireland

www.nijobfinder.co.uk
www.irishnews.com
www.newsletter.co.uk
www.jobcentreonline.co.uk
www.recruitni.com
www.nijobs.com
www.totaljobs.com
www.indeed.co.uk
www.glassdoor.co.uk

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Newspapers

Guardian – http://jobs.guardian.co.uk
Telegraph – http://jobs.telegraph.co.uk
Times Higher – http://timeshighereducation.co.uk
Belfast Telegraph, Job finder http://www.nijobs.com

Remember:

- Keep a record of all jobs you have applied for this includes your application form or CV, job description, job specification, contact names & numbers/email addresses etc.
- This will help you to keep track of your job searches and will ensure that you have all the information handy when preparing for an interview.











