

The Isle of Wight College Careers Programme 2023-2024

Autumn term

September - October 2023; During induction week students will be given a tour of college facilities including the Careers Centre

September – October 2023; Careers Adviser will be referred late applicants and any students unhappy on their initial choice of course and who wish to transfer or look at other opportunities.

September- October 2023; Tutors to register Level 3 Year 2 students on UCAS Hub

September-October 2023; Careers Adviser to visit Level 3 Year 2 student groups and brief them on applying to university through UCAS, applications, personal statements and finance

26th October 2023 Thursday– Isle of Wight Careers Fayre held at the college. This will give college students the opportunity to talk to a large number of employers, other training providers, apprenticeship providers and Sixth Forms about progression opportunities

30th October 2023 - RAP week 1, focus on career aspirations and wider skills development

25th November 2023 Saturday– College Open Day

September- December 2023; Careers Adviser to visit groups in college to introduce themselves and services available (including part-time evening adult GCSE and functional skills classes)

September- December 2023; SUN Progression Mentor will contact all college SUN students and offer help and support with progression

September- December 2023; Tutors will begin to formulate Action plans, including Career Plans for individual students on eTrackr. This will include targets for skills development, work-experience and other targets required to help students achieve their aims

September-December 2023; higher education visits will be organised for students studying Level 3 courses

September- December 2023; Work-experience placements organised and begin for students on vocational programmes with work-experience placements as part of the course (such as T-levels). Other students who would like work-experience can ask Work-Experience/Industry Placement team throughout the year

Spring Term

January 2024; Careers Adviser will work with tutors to identify students who may need additional support and advice completing their UCAS applications by UCAS deadline of 31st January 2024

27th January 2024 Saturday – College Open Day

January- February 2024; Tutors will review Career Plan on eTrackr with individual students to see what needs to be put in place over next four months in order for students to achieve their short-term objectives

National Apprenticeship Week **5th to 11th February** – events throughout college and posts on college Careers website and college Facebook to draw student’s attention to apprenticeship opportunities, including higher and degree apprenticeships.

January-May 2024; Tutors will refer individual students unsure about long-term career plans to Careers Adviser. Careers Adviser will use tools such as Careers Coach to help students identify careers that match their interests and skills

6th March 2024 – College Open Day

National Careers week **4th to 9th March** – events throughout college and on college careers website and college Facebook to publicise National Careers week. The focus will be particularly on helping students to use the LMI tools on the careers site to investigate local, regional and national career opportunities.

April- May; College Careers Adviser will visit all groups to offer services. All EHCP students and students in Foundation Learning and in certain Level 1 and Level 2 courses will be offered careers interviews by Careers Adviser to help with their progression. Other students may self-refer or be referred by tutors

23rd April 2024 – College Open Day

April- May; Careers Adviser will offer Level 3 Year 2 students help in making their final university choices

April- May; Careers Adviser will offer help to students with student finance applications and Disabled Student Allowance applications

Summer term

May-June 2024; Careers will begin to work with Level 3 Year 1 tutors to help students begin to research higher education options. Visits may be organised by tutors to mainland higher education institutions

19th June 2024 Wednesday - College Open Day

May- June; students without a final destination established will be referred to the Careers Adviser further help and support