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Information for apprenticeship candidates

How do I apply for an apprenticeship?

You will need an employer as well as an offer from the college. If you haven't already done so you must apply for the apprenticeship on www.nescot.ac.uk.

An interview will be arranged with your Nescot assessor who will review your qualifications and check that you meet the entry requirements for the apprenticeship you have chosen.

How do I find an employer?

As an apprentice you need to be employed for at least 30 hours per week in a relevant job. We can support you to find a suitable employer, here are some of the things you can do:

- Check out our current apprenticeship vacancies on www.nescot.ac.uk/apprenticeshipvacancies and apply to the role you are interested in.
- Send us an email with your CV and details on which apprenticeship you are interested. The Business Centre team will assist you in reaching out to local employers and keep you informed of any incoming vacancies.
- Have a look at the National Apprenticeship Website www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship to find and apply to apprenticeship vacancies in your area.
- Be proactive and contact local businesses that you are interested in working for to enquire if they take on apprentices.

What do I do if I already have an employer?

- Please contact us with your employer details so we can progress your application.

You can contact Nescot's Business Centre on

 **020 8394 8593** or email

 businesscentre@nescot.ac.uk



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Who is eligible for an apprenticeship?

Anyone who has been a resident in the UK/EU for three years or more, aged 16 or older, and not in education.

What are the entry requirements?

Entry requirements vary between courses, but they are flexible. You will need to show that you are interested in and committed to the course you've chosen. Typically, you will need a Grade C/4 GCSE in English and maths and ICT.

How much will I earn as an apprentice?

As an apprentice you're guaranteed to earn at least the National Minimum Wage for Apprentices. As of April 2019 this is £3.90 per hour for apprentices in their first year and/or aged under 19. There is no upper limit to what apprentices can be paid, and many are paid more than the minimum wage.

How much does an apprenticeship cost?

As an apprentice you do not pay for any of the training cost. The majority of the cost will be met by the government and in some cases employers pay a contribution.

Will I gain a recognised qualification?

Upon successful completion of your apprenticeship you will hold a nationally recognised and relevant qualification in addition to having practical experience of working in your industry.

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