## INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS – DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE PARTNERSHIPS WITH SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES





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## TODAY'S TEAM



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## Use the Q&A function for questions

## Feel free to use the chat box





- 1. What are industry placements?
- 2. Interview with ABP Food Group
- 3. Working with a school, college, or other provider
- 4. Discussion with Shrewsbury College Group
- 5. Panel session / Q & A
- 6. Next steps / support available

#### **POLL** What best describes your current position

1 Already working with one or more providers and planning/offering industry placements

2 In early discussions with one or more providers about offering industry placements

3 Not yet engaged with any providers



# WHAT ARE INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS?

### WHAT ARE INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS?

- Time spent by a 16-19 year old student, learning and working in an organisation
- In a real environment with an employer making a meaningful contribution to the organisation
- Minimum of **315 hours** (approx. 45 working days)
- Occupationally-specific developing students' practical and technical skills

## WHY OFFER AN INDUSTRY PLACEMENT FOR LIFE



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#### WHICH PLACEMENT MODELS MIGHT WORK FOR YOU?



	MODEL	When this model might work	Example role
	DAY RELEASE	<ul> <li>Where business pattern is usually steady and regular</li> <li>Where you have cyclical, weekly tasks or processes</li> <li>Where the mentor or line manager would prefer to limit their supervision time during a given week</li> </ul>	Manufacturing Operative
	BLOCK	<ul> <li>Where concentrated work is needed to meet a specific deadline</li> <li>To offer alignment to project lifecycles or annual business processes</li> <li>To allow managers to plan well in advance for student groups</li> </ul>	Project Manager
ĩL	MIXED	<ul> <li>Where there is a discrete research project with a long lead-in time</li> <li>Where it makes sense to cover induction as a block, then moving to day release afterwards for project work</li> </ul>	Engineering Research

## WHAT DO I NEED TO OFFER?



- Projects and tasks for students that will help them to learn practical and technical skills
- A safe work environment
- Equipment and resources for the work
- Induction
- Someone to supervise and someone to mentor
- Feedback and review



## **INTERVIEW WITH**

## KATE TAYLOR ABP FOOD GROUP



**Microsoft Teams** 

### Working with Shrewsbury College -Interview/Chat

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## WORKING WITH A SCHOOL, COLLEGE OR OTHER PROVIDER



## CHOOSING A PROVIDER What will they do?

- Support you to offer and deliver Industry Placements
- Assist with necessary paperwork or checks
- Plan and design the placement with you
- Match suitable students to you
- Review progress and how the placement is working
- Be available if there are queries or concerns

## CHOOSING A PROVIDER What should I look for?

- They will work with you to design a suitable placement model
- They understand what kind of student would fit in your organisation
- They deliver quality training which matches the placement role
- They will prepare students well for the placement
- They will support students while they are on placement
- TL Questions to ask a provider



#### HOW DO I FIND A PROVIDER?



Providers may approach you, or you can approach them

Start with links you already have with local colleges, schools and training providers

Contact business organisations like:

- Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEP)
- Chambers of Commerce
- Professional bodies and trade organisations in your industry

Register your interest:

- Call the National Apprenticeship Service (NAS) on 08000 150 600.
- Search or invite providers to contact you via <u>https://employers.tlevels.gov.uk/</u>

Ask other local businesses if they can recommend a provider I have no experience of working with education providers. Slightly worried they will use jargon and I will be asked to do things I don't understand

What if I have more than one work location – do I need to work with more than one college?

## EMPLOYER'S QUESTIONS ASKING ABOUT WORKING WITH PROVIDERS?

I don't have a HR or learning and development department so I don't have the capacity to do the paperwork.

The student will need to learn specifics of my industry before they come on site. How can these be introduced to students?



## **PRACTICALITIES**

### Such as...

- Safeguarding
- Accessibility
- Non-Disclosure Agreements and confidentiality
- Data security
- Age



## DISCUSSION

## LAURA SCOTLAND SHREWSBURY COLLEGE GROUP



## PANEL Q&A





# NEXT STEPS AND SUPPORT

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**POLL** Based on what you have heard about industry placements:

1 Are you more likely to implement industry placements?

2 Are you more confident to implement industry placements?

3 Has this webinar been useful and practical for your industry placements planning?

**POLL** Based on your current circumstances and your understanding of T Levels, is your organisation likely to offer Industry Placements?

- 1 Yes we are already hosting T Level Industry Placements
- 2 Yes in the next six months
- 3 Yes in seven to twelve months
- 4 Yes more than a year from now
- 5 Not in the foreseeable future
- 6 No
- **TL**7Don't know

#### https://employers.tlevels.gov.uk



- Bespoke one-to-one support
- Tools, resources and case studies

## T Levels and industry placement support for employers



About industry placements

Find out more about what industry placements and T Levels are, and how they could work in your business.



Business benefits and case studies

Discover the benefits of hosting an industry placement at your company, including the £1,000 employer incentive.



Plan industry placements

Guidance to help you plan, including information about legal compliance, working with providers and paying students.

 Book workshops and webinars



#### **During industry placements**

How to work with students while they are on a placement, and end-ofplacement reviews.



#### Skill areas and courses

Discover the skill areas that industry placements cover and find out what placement students can offer.



Workshops and webinars

Online events to help you understand, plan and prepare to offer industry placements.

## FUNDED BESPOKE HANDS-ON SUPPORT



If you would value a call with an industry placement specialist to help you decide, plan or prepare to host placements, do get in touch.

We can arrange:

- A <u>1-2-1 call</u> to chat through any issues, barriers or questions you may have.
- An <u>online Group Session</u> allowing you to bring together relevant members of the team to chat through what's involved, how to host placements in your organisation, and help you overcome any challenges.



## THANK YOU

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#### Disclaimer

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