HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR THE FAIR?

I've got a few ideas
Find out which employers are attending in your areas of interest. Have a look at their website in advance, and plan some questions to ask.

I've got no ideas yet
Ask people in different industries about their jobs to learn more about what might suit you. Find out from employers what skills and experience you should look to build.

I'm not sure which career will suit me

I want to apply for graduate jobs

I'm thinking about it but I don't know what I want to apply for
Use the fair to talk to recent graduates and find out how they made career decisions and what they like/dislike about their role.

I'm ready to make applications
Check the exhibitor list and make a targeted shortlist of employers you want to speak to. Use the fair to get some tips on how to succeed in the application process.

• Find out which employers are attending. Look on their websites to see if they offer a placement year or internship and plan some questions to ask.

• Applications will likely be open so make the most of the opportunity and make a good impression. Find out what will make your application stand out.

I'm looking for a placement as part of my course
Placements are 1 year paid opportunities for students on a 4 year course with an embedded industrial placement experience apply for.

I'm looking for work experience

I'm looking for experience over the summer
Internships, vacation schemes and summer placements are typically 8-10 week paid opportunities, although some can be shorter.

TOP TIPS

Find out in advance which companies are attending by checking our exhibitor A-Z. Keep checking, as this list is regularly updated. It will save you time on the day by making a shortlist of who you want to speak to in advance.

If it's a brand you've heard of e.g. a car company, your first instinct might be to think they only offer engineering roles. However large companies often have lots of roles open to all degree subjects, such as marketing and HR, so be open minded!

If you are interested in a particular organisation find out about their recruitment process online beforehand. This means when you speak to a recruiter you can use your time wisely to gain a real insight and find out information which isn’t available online.