Will studying at City help me get a job?

Your questions answered.
Your place at City awaits...
City University London has an impressive reputation for ensuring our students are ready for work and supporting them as they embark on their careers.

Our courses are designed to maximise our graduates’ knowledge and skills within their chosen sector. We offer a first class Career and Skills Development Service and of course, being in London means that many of the country’s top employers are on our doorstep.

This booklet is part of a series. If you have not received the full set you can download them at www.city.ac.uk/myoffer.
How does City compare to other universities when it comes to helping me find a job?

City University London students have a strong track-record of finding graduate jobs after they complete their studies. We are ranked among the top 10 in the UK for both graduate level employment (*The Sunday Times University Guide 2013*) and starting salaries (*Which? University*).

Because of the practical nature of our courses, our graduates are highly sought after by many different industries. Recent graduates have gone on to roles at organisations such as Deloitte, Ernst and Young, Lloyds TSB, KPMG, NatWest, John Lewis, the British Museum, UK Border Agency, Orange and Sainsbury’s.

Our annual destinations survey shows what our students are typically doing six months after leaving City. You can find out more at: [www.city.ac.uk/careers/for-students-and-recent-graduates/destinations-of-city-graduates](http://www.city.ac.uk/careers/for-students-and-recent-graduates/destinations-of-city-graduates).

What careers advice can I expect as a City student?

Our Career and Skills Development Service provides students and recent graduates with professional, high-quality support. We do this by encouraging you to think about your employment prospects early on in your course and making sure that your future employability is embedded into every part of your student life.

On a practical level, we will work with you to develop your cv, tailor your applications and hone your interview technique. You’ll also get the chance to meet potential employers and take advantage of work experience and internships during your studies.
What links do you have with employers?

Our Employer Liaison team works closely with a wide range of companies to make sure that as many opportunities as possible are open to you. Recruitment teams from large and small UK and international employers across a wide range of industries visit our campuses throughout the year, provide work experience for students and work with us to identify and fill vacancies.

As we are right in the heart of London, there are hundreds of employers to choose from in almost any industry you choose, and many of our courses are accredited by professional bodies.

Will my course include a work placement?

Most of our courses offer the option of a work placement, giving you the chance to put what you have learnt into practice, earn a salary and greatly increase your appeal to prospective employers. A high proportion of our students go on to secure graduate employment with their placement company.

Some of the companies that our students have worked with in the past include Microsoft, Goldman Sachs, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Barts Health NHS Trust and L’Oreal.

Your course information booklets will give you more information about the opportunities within your degree.
How can I find out about job vacancies?

Whether you are looking for a part-time job to finance your studies or a full-time career, we can help. As a City student you will automatically have access to our online vacancies board, which includes jobs from the numerous employers we have built close relationships with.

We organise three sector-specific careers fairs per year as well as a host of other employer events. They give you a chance to find out about employment opportunities in your chosen industry and network with recruiters from a wide range of organisations.

If you are interested in a part-time or temporary job during your time at City, our Unitemps team, part of our Career and Skills Development Service, are the people to talk to.

We can also provide you with advice if you are keen to find volunteering opportunities, undertake tutoring work in local schools or help out with summer schools.
What if I want to set up my own business?

Supporting young entrepreneurs is very important to us. The University has an Enterprise Education team, which supports and guides the rapidly growing number of students who are keen to become entrepreneurs.

It also runs the CitySpark programme, which provides mentorship and master classes. There are even competitions that offer you the chance to win prizes for your new business ideas.

Where can I get more information?

You’ll find a lot more information about how studying at City will help you with your future career on our website www.city.ac.uk/careers.

Our Careers Service can be contacted on careers@city.ac.uk
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