

SLG CAREERS BULLETIN



Dear Parent/Guardian

13/03/2026

Please see information below that details events linked to Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance.

SLG Career Bulletins are available on the school app and school website

Upcoming Careers Events

Year 10 – GCSE Option Choices Forms Returned

GCSE Option Choices Forms Returned via link on school app or text message. This form must be submitted on or before 20 March 2026.

Year 12 – Choices Beyond Year 12 Form Returned

Choices Beyond Year 12 Form Returned via link on school app or text message. This form must be submitted on or before 20 March 2026.

Future Medicines – Pharma & Biotech Careers (Student Event)

 Date: 26 March 2026

 Time: 6 – 9 pm

 Location: **Whitla Hall, Queen's University Belfast**

This interactive event introduces students to the exciting opportunities offered by the BSc Pharmaceutical Sciences and BSc Pharmaceutical Biotechnology degrees at Queen's, alongside the wide range of careers available in the pharmaceutical and biotech industries.

What students will experience:

- Insightful introductions to both BSc programmes and their associated career pathways.
- A Research Spotlight, showcasing cutting-edge scientific work within the School and how students engage with real-world discovery.
- A Student Panel, with current undergraduates sharing first-hand experiences.
- Networking opportunities with academic staff, industry experts, and student support teams.

Student Registration: <https://www.qub.ac.uk/home/campaign/mhls/Events/pharmacy-insight-event-students/>

CAO Late Applications

A reminder that Central Applications Office (CAO) is now open again for late applications, and students can apply up until **1 May 2026** via CAO.ie.

Upcoming Open Days at Atlantic Technological University

There are several open days coming up across ATU campuses where students and parents can explore courses, speak with lecturers, and see the facilities.

- **Saturday 21 March** – ATU Connemara | 11:00am – 1:00pm
- **Saturday 18 April** – ATU Galway (Dublin Road & Wellpark Road campuses) | 10:00am – 1:00pm
- **Saturday 25 April** – ATU Sligo & St Angelas | 10:00am – 1:00pm
- **Thursday 7 May** – ATU Donegal | 4:00pm – 6:30pm

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Work Related Learning Opportunities

The MEGA Mid-Ulster Education Team has compiled a list of MEGA member companies (with their contact details & locations) who are willing to offer work experience to GCSE and/or A-Level students in the coming months.

Students are encouraged to reach out directly to the employers via the email addresses listed in the attached pages below.

Paid legal work experience opportunity

See attached details of an amazing opportunity with Pinsent Mason for paid work experience during the summer 27-31 July in their Belfast Office. The closing date is **16 March 2026**. Please let Mrs McPhilomey know if you are interested. Please see attached information below for more information.

Social Mobility Business Partnership

A good opportunity for those of you who are not sure what to do for work experience. Applications for the SMBP Work Insight and Skills Experience in Belfast are open.

SMBP are hosting its Work Insight and Skills Experience in Belfast in 2026. They would love to offer their opportunity to Year 13 and 14 students .

Key Details:

- Belfast WISE Week: **8th – 12th June**
- Applications Open: **9th February**
- Applications Close: **30th April**
- Places Available: **30**

Pupils should refer to TEAMS for more details.

Futures for All

In-Person Work Experience June 2026

 TODD	 SEAGATE	 Afiac Northern Ireland	 PBNI Probation Board for Northern Ireland	 kainos®	 kainos®
In-person Work Experience with TODD Architects	In-person Work Experience with Seagate	In-person Work Experience with Afiac	In-person Work Experience with Probation Board for Northern Ireland	In-person Work Experience with Kainos	In-person Work Experience with Kainos
Exploring Architectural Design: A Hands-On Experience	Explore the Future of Technology	Tech Unlocked: 3 Days Inside Afiac	Interested in working within the Criminal Justice System?	Ready, Set, Code! 3- day Tech Work Experience (In Person - Derry/Londonderry)	Ready, Set, Code! 3- day Tech Work Experience (Female only - Belfast)
16th - 18th June 2026 10.00 am - 2.00 pm 3-days	9th - 11th June 2026 09.00 am - 4.00 pm 3-days	9th - 11th June 2026 09.00 am - 4.00 pm 3-days	9th-11th June 2026 10.00 am - 3.00 pm 3-days	2nd - 4th June 2026 10.00 am - 3.00 pm 3-days	23rd - 25th June 2026 10.00 am - 3.00 pm 3-days
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 VERSION 1	 PRISON SERVICE	 CLEARBOX	 FUTURES FOR ALL	 SEAGATE	 kainos
Remote Work Experience with Version 1 Find your fit in the Tech Industry with Version 1 15th-16th June 2026 10.00 am – 3.00 pm 2-days Explore	Remote Work Experience with NI Prison Service and others Prisons Unlocked – Explore the Range of Careers Behind Prison Walls 18th-19th June 2026 10.00 am – 3.00 pm 2-days Explore	Hybrid Work Experience with CLEARBOX Inside the World of PR and Social Media Marketing 17 th – 19 th June 2026 10:00 am – 3.00 pm 3-days Explore	Remote Work Experience with Speech & Language Therapy and Music Therapy industry experts. Make Music. Help People. Build Your Future 24th-25th June 2026 10.00 am – 3.00 pm 2-days Explore	Remote Insight Day with Seagate Light in Action: A Digital Insight Day into Physics, Photonics & Future Tech 17th April 2026 10.00 am – 3.00 pm 1-days Explore	Remote Work Experience with Kainos Ready, Set, Code! 3-day Tech Work Experience 23rd-25th June 2026 10.00 am – 3.00 pm 2-days Explore

Apprenticeship Opportunities

Message from PwC:

We are thrilled to announce that applications for our [Business Management Flying Start degree programme](#) are now open.

The Flying Start degree programmes offer people of all ages and experience levels the opportunity to kickstart their careers and study for a degree at the same time. They'll earn a salary and have a real role, working on live projects while balancing their time with university study.

The programme lasts four years, and throughout that time, programme members work at PwC and study for a BSc Hons Leading on Customer Operations at Ulster University Business School. This is an exciting opportunity for them to gain real-life experience, knowledge and skills to thrive in our business.

As a Flying Start student, they'll be supported by PwC and the university throughout the programme and beyond, with in-office training provided and time to work on their own personal development each week. PwC offer a competitive salary and fully funded tuition fees, with an opportunity to select the benefits that matter, from our flexible benefits package.

At PwC, we believe in challenging students, supporting their growth, and helping them thrive. This isn't just about gaining a qualification – it's about setting a strong foundation for their future.



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Work Experience Opportunities for GCSE & A-Level Students



Gain valuable work experience at a company within the MEGA cluster.

Company	Level	Contact Details	Location
Boyce Precision Engineering	GCSE	Cherry McDonald office@boyceprecisionengineering.com 028 3888 1415	Craigavon
Mannok	GCSE	Taylor Maye hr@mannokbuild.com 028 6774 8866	Lisnaskea
SFM Engineering	GCSE	Stephen Renaghan stephen@sfmengineering.co.uk 028 3753 0913	Keady
Sperrin Metal	GCSE	Sperrin Metal 028 7962 8362	Draperstown
Strickland	GCSE	Sandra Rainey sandra.rainey@stricklandmfguk.com	Coalisland
Astec Industries	A-Level	Bronagh McAleer bmcaleer@astecindustries.com 028 8225 1100	Omagh
Axon Power and Control	A-Level	Declan McGeary declan.mcgeary@axon-online.com 028 8775 8923	Dungannon
Edge Innovate	A-Level	Mandy Hamilton mandy.hamilton@edgeinnovate.com 028 8774 0525	Dungannon
FSL Electronics	A-Level	Carl Kelly carl.kelly@fslelectronics.com 028 8676 6131	Cookstown

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Company	Level	Contact Details	Location
Mallaghan	A-Level	Aimee O'Neill aimee.oneill@mallahangroup.com 028 8772 3444	Dungannon
McCauley Trailers	A-Level	Ellie McGuckin info@mccauleys.co.uk 028 7965 9191	Toome
OHM Engineering	A-Level	Steven McKenna info@ohmengineering.com 028 8554 8551	Clogher
Precision Switchgear	A-Level	Michael Connolly mconnolly@precisionswitchgear.com 028 8778 4803	Dungannon
Specdrum/ Specfab	GCSE & A-Level	Leanne Ferguson leanne.ferguson@specdrum.com 028 8774 1122	Dungannon
Todd's Leap Racking and Shelving	A-Level	Niall O'Hanlon niall@toddsleap.com 028 8556 6176	Ballygawley

Top Tips for a Mega Work Experience:

1. Research the company before you make contact.
2. Be ready to answer questions such as:
 - What do you know about the company?
 - What are your hobbies & interests?
 - Why are you interested in work experience or a summer placement with the company?
 - What area of the business are you interested in? e.g. Assembly Floor, HR Dept., Marketing, Design, Finance, etc.
 - Have you ever done work experience before? If so, what did you learn?
3. Arrive on time!
4. Dress appropriately - you want to make a great first impression! No track suits or halter tops, wear clean shoes, etc.
5. Put your mobile phone away!
6. Ask lots of questions! This is your opportunity to learn all about the company!



Summer Work Experience

Applications now open

Join our Legal Summer Work Experience programme, where you'll gain valuable experience in a leading commercial law firm on a 5-day paid work placement. With exposure to the commercial world, discover what law in practice is really like.

What's involved?

- A supervisor who will help you discover the skills you'll need to be a successful lawyer
- Work shadowing within our legal teams
- Attend skills building sessions from commercial awareness to debate
- Explore pathways into law and meet a variety of lawyers from across the firm
- CV & application tips and career advice

Who can join?

- Students aged 16 – 19 years old
- Students currently studying towards A-levels, Highers, or equivalent
- Those who have completed GCSEs, National 5s, or equivalent
- Regardless of your background or prior experience, this programme aims to develop your skills and boost your confidence while enriching your CV

Discover more & apply

Deadline for applications: 16th March 2026, 12pm



[Apply >](#)





Ready to apply?

Get some application support!

The recruitment process

01. Registration Form

This helps us check you're eligible, understand your background and support you through the application.

02. Application Form

Tell us about your education and any work experience you have.

03. Shortlisting

If you show that you meet what we're looking for, we'll be in touch.

04. Outcome

We'll let you know the result within three months of the application deadline.

05. Onboarding

Once you accept your offer, our team will guide you through the next steps to get you ready to start.

Top tips and advice

Not sure what to expect? We've got some advice and tips to help you get started.



Expect questions on:

- Your interest in commercial law
- Your biggest achievements
- What makes you suitable for a career in the law sector



Remember to:

- Read questions and instructions carefully
- Use succinct formal writing
- Write detailed responses that represent your authentic self

"This programme has helped me develop my networking and communication skills, essential as a young professional"



For more information on the programme, click [here](#)

