

# Leith Academy Careers Bulletin

October 2022



## Key Dates:

**3<sup>rd</sup> October** – applications for music courses at Conservatoires (most other courses at conservatoires use the same date as other undergraduate courses).

**15<sup>th</sup> October** – applications for Oxford, Cambridge and most courses in medicine, dentistry, and veterinary medicine/science.

## Employer Insight Sessions



### 12<sup>th</sup> October (Period 6 – Drama Theatre) All S4, S5 to attend (optional for S6) Film and TV Careers

Our guests for the talk will be Claire Deas and Andrea Porteous. **Claire Deas** is a **Facilities Producer** for [Freak Works](#) with over 25 years' experience in the industry. **Andrea Porteous** from [Red Fox Props](#) has worked as a Prop Maker, Scenic Sculptor and Mould Maker within productions such as, Outlander seasons 3, 4 & 5, The Golden Compass and Stardust etc. This is targeted for all areas of study, even if you have never considered a role in media before. It is a fantastic opportunity to speak to professionals to understand what's involved from set design and building, to financing a project (and all the areas between).

### 27<sup>th</sup> October (Period 5&6 – IT room 1 in Resource Centre) STEM Careers – Sign up Via TEAMS

**Period 5** – We will be joined by two engineers from [OPTOS](#): **Elaine Fresson** who is a **Senior Manufacturing Engineer** and **Zainab Aliakbar**, **Senior Software Verification Engineer**. They will discuss their roles and paths to getting where they are today in more detail and are very interested in speaking to young people (and young women in particular), who are considering a similar career.

**Period 6** – **Daniel Winterstein**, Co-founder [CTO Good Loop](#), will be in to discuss his pathway to where he is now: from AI consultancy, data science to now using 'Tech for Good' company, revolutionising technology's role in driving ethical advertising.

## University

If you are applying to university this year, you should now be making a start on your application. You should also:

- Make sure you are part of the Teams Group – UCAS 2022 – 23 (speak to your House Head if you are not).
- Access 'A Beginners Guide to UCAS 2023' PDF from the Teams page to help get your application started.

## College

Edinburgh College has twice yearly start dates - in January and September.

- Applications for courses starting in January usually open for applications in November.
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## Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships can be a fantastic opportunity when you leave school to:

- work full time – gaining real life work experience whilst gaining key skills and expanding your networks
- gain a qualification (even up to a university degree for some types of apprenticeships)
- and earn a salary.

To find out more visit [apprenticeships.scot](https://www.apprenticeships.scot). But have a look at the opportunity below for an example:

#### Business Graduate Apprentice with Leonardo

This is a 4-year programme where you will study a Business Management BA (hons) degree through a mixture of work-based learning, distance learning and day release at the University of Strathclyde. At the end of the programme, you will work as a highly qualified member of our Commercial team in Customer Support Service Solutions.

Closing date March 2023 however may close at any time. You can find out more [here](#).

## Developing Young Workforce (DYW) Opportunities

A variety of employers offer sessions to allow you to learn about their industry - this could be anything from a one-off presentation to a week-long work experience. Check out the opportunities highlighted by **DYW** this month below:

- **The Schools' Lecture Series** helps prepare a student for a **future in medicine**. Altogether, the lecture series will detail the process of applying for medical school, highlight various medical specialties, and discuss the ethics of medicine that physicians encounter on a daily basis.

**3 October - Physician's Pathways:** 16.30 – 18.00 Great Hall, 11 Queen Street, Edinburgh

**5 October - Ethical Dilemmas in Medicine:** 16.30 – 18.00 Great Hall, 11 Queen Street, Edinburgh

**Any secondary student** who is even the least bit interested in medicine is encouraged to attend. **The event is absolutely free!** Send an email to [d.davis@rcpe.ac.uk](mailto:d.davis@rcpe.ac.uk) to sign up.

- **Get into virtual conferences (ZOOM)** - Aspiring students in S3-S5 can attend a free virtual conference. Registration required: <https://medicmentor.co.uk/get-into-conferences/>

Get into Medicine (8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> October)

Get into Veterinary (22<sup>nd</sup> October)

Get into Dentistry (23<sup>rd</sup> October)

- **Ernst & Young – 'EY Adventures'**.  
We really would like to extend an invite to the pupils in Edinburgh to attend a bespoke Apprenticeship evening at the below location and time:  
**Date: Thursday, 13th October**  
**Time: 4:30pm – 6:30pm**  
**Location: EY Edinburgh Atria One, 144 Morrison Street Edinburgh EH3 8EX**

The event will focus around EY's offering in the professional services space and give students an opportunity to learn more about us, ask questions and liaise with business volunteers. Students are welcome to bring along guests as well (e.g. parents, guardians & friends).

## Part-Time Jobs

- [John Lewis](#) – Christmas Temp jobs go live early September
- [Boots](#) – Christmas Part-time at Fort Kinnaird
- [B&M](#) – Part-time at Fort Kinnaird
- [Pets at Home](#) – Store Colleague at Fort Kinnaird
- [Edinburgh Leisure](#) – Lifeguard and Leisure Attendants various locations
- [TK Maxx](#) – Christmas Temp at Meadowbank
- [Card Factory](#) – Sales Assistant Fixed Term until January – various hours available
- [Christmas Elf](#) at the Christmas Market (interest or experience in drama/acting preferred)
- Claire's Accessories – Sales Assistant apply in store at Ocean Terminal
- Trespass – hand CV into store at Ocean Terminal
- Toy Town – email CV to [edinburgh@toytownstores.com](mailto:edinburgh@toytownstores.com) or hand CV into store at Ocean Terminal