The Careers and Development Programme has been designed by the York Law School to equip you with the knowledge and skills you need in order to make informed decisions about your future working lives, to make the most of the opportunities available to you, and to provide the platform for future success in your vocational training and/or future careers (whether within the legal profession or outside of it).

Main elements of the programme are:

- Careers and Employer events and appointments
- Link Days
- Mentoring Schemes
- Alumni events and connections
CAREERS AND EMPLOYER EVENTS AND APPOINTMENTS

It is vital that you have an overview of the opportunities available to you and a large proportion of these require steps to be taken during the first year, as well as having very important deadlines for action during the second and third years. This part of the programme provides access to the relevant information, in groups and through individual support opportunities.

The employer events combine presentations and workshops in relation to different types of organisations. These events provide you with information about the employers themselves, the skills required and the recruitment processes involved.

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Current Law School Student
MENTORING SCHEMES

Mentoring is a process where students are given the opportunity to be matched up with a practitioner from the legal profession. The student and mentor then build up a professional relationship over a certain amount of time, with the mentor providing as much guidance and assistance about the legal profession as possible.

Event - October 2018

Year 1 and Year 2 – Preparation for Link Days presentation and sign up

Event - October 2018 to June 2019

Year 1 and Year 2 – Link Days take place

LINK DAYS

Link Days are days which we organise for you to spend time experiencing the provision of legal advice and legal services to real people, rather than hypothetical clients. Opportunities are offered in both your first and second years, with a wide variety of employers taking part.

Mentoring sign up and launch events

October to December 2018

DWF
Irwin Mitchell
Langleyes
Plexus
Walker Morris
Ward Hadaway

“
My mentor has been fantastic – even offering me a weeks work experience! I really enjoyed myself and got a feel for the type of work that they do, so the scheme has been invaluable.”

Current Law School Student
ALUMNI EVENTS AND CONNECTIONS

York Law School alumni are now a very important part of what we offer in the way of support to our current students. We have hundreds of alumni available on a dedicated LinkedIn page, who can help students with career strategy discussions and in relation to applications, interviews and assessment centres. We will also be holding two alumni events in the Law School, so that students can network with alumni who are working in the legal profession, as well as those who have entered non-law related areas such as retail, finance and recruitment.

Event – November 2018 and February 2019
Alumni Event
Speak to and network with ex-Law School students who have entered legally related employment
Non-law Alumni Event
Speak to and network with ex-Law School students who have entered non-legally related employment

RELATED ACTIVITIES

As well as the events which make up the Careers and Development Programme, there are a number of other activities which support your careers decision-making and develop your employability skills, for example:

- Pro Bono activities, including elements of the Law School's 'Clinical Stream'
- Mooting and Negotiating competitions
- University Careers in Law Fair
- Student Law Society events.