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 Event
- Employer events and appointments
- Link Days
- Mentoring Schemes
- Alumni events and connections
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It is such an excellent chance for students to gain work experience as early as our first year. Not only was I able to enrich the legal work experience on my CV, I was also able to gain so many legal writing, research and communication skills in a work environment.

Current Law School Student

I wanted to provide some feedback following our Link Days. The students were excellent and really engaged in the activities we had arranged. They were both a credit to the Law School and University, and we hope to keep in touch with them going forwards.

Link Days Employer

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The Careers and Development Programme is not compulsory but we do recommend that you engage with it seriously and view this as complementary to your academic studies. You should note that days, times and venues may change and events will be confirmed during the year. The events listed in this booklet are designed specifically for law students, unless otherwise indicated. Some events are aimed at particular year groups, although students are welcome to attend any event, other than where specified.

These are challenging times for those seeking to pursue a career in the legal profession or elsewhere and we believe that this unique programme will help to set you apart from the competition.

Thank you very much for organising the YLS alumni meet and greet. I found it informative and helpful. It was really useful to hear great testimonials from our alumni.

Current Law School Student

If you have any questions about the Careers and Development Programme, please do not hesitate to contact Chris Wilkinson (Employability Tutor - chris.wilkinson@york.ac.uk). Alternatively you can call the Law School on +44 (0)1904 325807.

Please note that University Careers is also available to all students. Details of the service can be found at york.ac.uk/careers. This includes information about the York Award, Volunteering, Enterprise, York Students in Schools and the Student Internship Bureau.

The York Award, from the second year onwards - get involved, develop skills and be rewarded! To find out more, go to york.ac.uk/careers/yorkaward. Alternatively you can contact Careers on +44 (0)1904 322685 or via Email careers@york.ac.uk

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