

Your Career Journey 2022/23

Your Future, York Futures

Postgraduate Taught

Make the most of [support and resources](#) available to plan your next steps and make good quality applications.

Part time learners, or those not starting their studies in Autumn term, should still follow the three stages of the journey, but adjust the timings to fit the length of your programme.

Autumn term

- Join [the Graduate Students' Association](#) (GSA) community.
- Attend Welcome Week activities to explore opportunities.
- Log in to [Handshake](#) for job alerts and events, and set up your profile.
- Research your [career options](#)
- Attend careers [events and workshops](#) to meet with employers and explore opportunities.
- Look out for the [Life after a Masters](#) programme, including the panel event, and explore resources for Masters students.
- International students studying in York: [explore options](#) for working in the UK, including visa requirements, and advice on returning to your home country.
- Research [recruitment processes](#) and understand how employers are adapting to online assessment. Practise with our resources.
- Market yourself? Update your [CV](#) and LinkedIn profile and start [networking](#) online.
- Check closing dates and apply for UK [graduate recruitment](#) schemes.
- Apply for [PhD opportunities](#) or further study after your programme.
- Explore academic and personal development opportunities through the [Academic Skills Community](#) (ASC).
- Build work experience through [University volunteering and enterprise](#).
- Consider [part time work or an internship](#). Check with your supervisor about time commitment.
- International students studying in York: check your [BRP card](#) for how many hours you can work while studying.
- Complete [York Strengths Online](#) to explore your personal strengths, and consider these in relation to your career plans and applications.
- Explore York Award and understand what you need to do to be able to apply at the end of your degree.
- Stay supported – Use [TalkCampus](#) and University [wellbeing](#) resources.

Spring term

- Book a [careers advice](#) appointment to talk through your next steps.
- Look out for events from the Asia Career Insights Series for international students
- Explore [enterprise](#), freelance and portfolio ways of working.
- Get a mentor from [York Profiles and Mentors](#) – maybe someone from the country or sector you want to work in?

- Listen to our podcast, [What do you actually do?](#), to find out what different careers are actually like.
- Engage with careers [events and workshops](#).
- Apply for [GSA Community Fund](#) to practise project development skills.

Summer term to completion

- Complete the [Next Steps Planner](#) to assess where you might need careers support.
- Check out [Working in Research](#) resources and attend our panel Q&A event
- Global careers – take a look at the [international picture](#).
- International students studying in York: Explore [visa options](#) if wishing to stay in the UK.
- Book a [careers advice](#) appointment to talk through your next steps.
- Continue to get [support](#) from Careers and Placements after you've completed your programme.
- Use the [Careers and Placements website](#), self-help resources ([CVs](#) and [interviews](#)) and [one to one support](#).
- Update your [CV](#) and LinkedIn profile to apply for graduate and summer opportunities.
- [Apply](#) for graduate jobs or further study after your programme.
- Talk to your supervisor – consider if you have time to gain additional [experience](#) this summer.
- Apply for [York Award](#), a certificate of the University that recognises personal and professional development.
- Check the [events programme](#) for careers workshops during the summer vacation.
- Complete [York Strengths Online](#) if not done so already.
- After graduation, participate in [York Global Alumni Association](#) activities and events – check for [groups](#) in the UK and around the world.

By the end of your taught Masters programme you'll

- Have updated your CV and tailored it to your chosen work/study area. How to do it: [CVs](#)
- Have used the Careers website to understand your options. How to do it: [Exploring your options](#)
- Have developed a better understanding of your strengths, skills and experience. How to do it: [York Strengths](#) and [York Award](#)
- Be able to articulate what skills, experience and knowledge you have gained through postgraduate study. How to do it: [Postgraduate Masters students](#)
- Have an understanding of recruitment processes and how to succeed in applications, interviews and assessment centres. How to do it: [Applying and interviewing](#)
- Know where to find one to one support if you need help to develop or progress your career plans. How to do it: [Talk to us](#)
- Get inspiration from other York graduates. How to do it: [York profiles and mentors](#)