

Career Planning and Job Application Insights

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The logo for Warwick Student Opportunity is located in the bottom right corner of the slide. It features the word "WARWICK" in a large, white, sans-serif font, with a thin horizontal line underneath it. Below the line, the words "STUDENT OPPORTUNITY" are written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. The background of the logo area is a colorful, abstract geometric pattern of triangles in shades of pink, purple, and blue.

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Departmental Careers Website



Where can I work?

An economics degree can open up a wide range of career opportunities. It equips you with a variety of transferable skills such as analytical and problem-solving skills, oral and written communication skills, team working skills among others. Our aim is to support your career planning by presenting to you the diverse opportunities that are available, ranging from working in consultancies to think tanks, regulators and policy organisations

[Actuarial Firms](#)

[International Organisations](#)

[Banking, Finance and Asset Management](#)

[Think Tanks, Policy Organisations and Regulators](#)

[Economics Consultancies](#)

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[Careers in Economics Webinars](#)

We host events so that our students can engage with relevant employers.

Resources & Insights

[Student Videos](#)

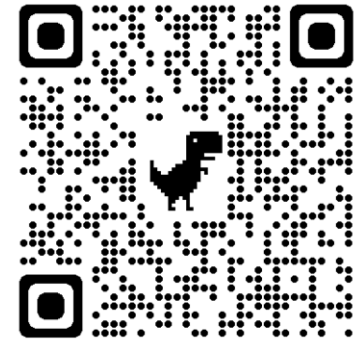
Final year students give advice on how to be successful in job/placement applications.

[Student Societies](#)

Find out how the various career support opportunities provided by the student societies.

[Skills Map](#)

See skills that you can acquire in different undergraduate modules



<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/current/careers/>

Departmental Events

- Careers in Economics Event - Tue 9 Nov 2021
- Alumni Career Journeys Webinar - tbc
- What Can We Do about Climate Change? - Thu 28 Oct

View Videos of Previous Economics Careers Events



<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/economics/current/careers/careers-in-economics-webinar-series-2020-21>

Make sure you are logged in to view the YouTube recordings!

2020 Events Included

Working for a Central Bank

Working in Economic Consultancy: An Alumni Perspective

Working in the Civil Service as an Economist

2021 Events Included

Working as a Graduate Economist for Ofwat

Alumni Career Journeys



Today's Session Aims

- To help you feel better prepared for your future career by introducing an approach to career planning, typical recruitment timelines and popular career destinations
- To help you make effective applications – from researching jobs and employers through to writing applications to help get you shortlisted
- General top tips on graduate recruitment trends
- Explain the support available

What is a Career?



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Consider what you love to do ...

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Career Planning – Knowing Yourself



- [Self Awareness moodle](#)
- [Starter Strengths Profile](#)
- [Prospects Planner – What Job would suit me?](#)

Career Planning – Exploring Your Career Options



- [Departmental Careers Page](#)
- [Warwick Alumni E-mentoring](#)
- [LinkedIn](#)
- [Research careers](#)
- [Job Sector links](#)

Career Planning – Making Decisions



- How have you made good decisions in the past?
- What **colour hat** do you tend to wear when making decisions?
([Edward de Bono Six thinking hats](#))

Career Planning – Moving On



The “Moving On” zone involves putting together [applications](#), practising and preparing for [interviews](#).

Popular Career Options

- [Banking](#) and [Finance](#)
- [Economic consulting](#) (follow this link for a list of consultancies)
- Research
- Public sector/[government](#)
- Further study



Applications: How to get started



- Understand what the specific **role/programme** involves
- Identify the **skills** and **qualities** required for the job/programme you are applying for
- Identify your personal **relevant** experiences, skills and strengths
- Define your **unique selling points**

Researching a job role

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- Organisation website
- Job description/person spec or [Prospects Role profiles](#)
- [LinkedIn](#)
- [Business databases](#) (Eg. [MarketLine](#) for SWOT analyses)
- [Careers Fairs](#) and [Employer Presentations](#)
- [Warwick Alumni E-mentoring](#)
- Condensed news via [Finimize](#) or [FT Podcast](#)



Application Resources

Student Opportunity: Careers

[Your options](#) | [Get experience](#) | [Searching jobs](#) | [Applications & Interviews](#) | [Graduates](#) | [Events](#) | [Help & advice](#)

Applications

Cover letters

A covering letter is a great way to get your CV noticed. Use these resources to help you write an effective covering letter.

CVs

Want to be noticed by employers? A good CV is essential. Use these resources to help you produce a good CV

Application forms

Many employers request that you complete an application form. These will ask for biographical information, but can also contain some challenging questions.

Interviews

Learn how to shine at virtual interviews. The different types of questions, how to prepare, interview practice and useful videos.

Assessment centres

Been invited to a virtual assessment centre? Find out what is expected, how to prepare with videos and resources about assessment centres to help you succeed.

[PREPARE >](#)

Psychometric and Aptitude tests

Need to take an aptitude test for an application? Or want to find out more about your working style and interests? Try our online tests and questionnaires.

[PRACTICE >](#)

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Use the [applications resources](#) before booking into an Application Review slot on [myAdvantage](#).

CVs – make the right impression

- Formatting is crucial – you may have **only 30 seconds** to make a good impression.... (Use bullet points for clarity)
- Employer may browse looking for **keywords** and **evidence** of qualifications and skills.
- There are no points for the number of things you have done... *relevance* is paramount. (2 pages maximum)
- Get it proof read – *spelling and grammar errors are a top reason why applications are rejected*

Recorded Video Interviews

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- Typically, you will have only a short time to reply – countdown timer is common.
- Think about how you come across.
(Add a post-it-note just above your camera to make sure you are looking at it rather than the screen.)
- Get some practice by using our [Practice Video Interview Software](#)
- Treat it as you would do a face-to-face interview
- For body language advice [Watch Amy Cuddy's TED talk on 'Your body language may shape who you are'](#)

Festival of Careers

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<https://warwick.ac.uk/services/careers/events/festival/>



myAdvantage

<http://go.warwick.ac.uk/myadvantage>

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The Student Opportunity Hub is located in the Senate House Building.

For more information about services offered in the Hub, see our [website](#).

Join the Student Opportunity – Economics Facebook Group

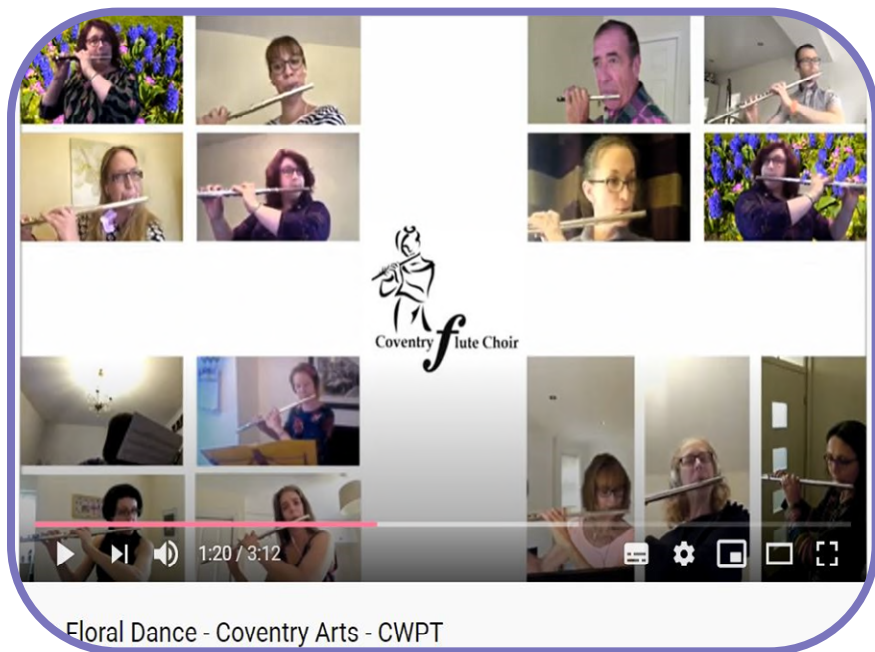


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Final Call to Action!

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This year- do at least **one** thing outside of your studies!