

2021 Virtual Careers Convention



Begin Planning Your Future Today!



Purpose of the Virtual Careers Convention

The purpose of the virtual careers convention is to raise your awareness of the opportunities available to you post-16 and to inform you of the routes you may have to take to achieve your goal.

There are opportunities for you to find out more about your options through clicking on links connected to websites for:

- ♦ Employers
- ♦ General information
- ♦ Universities
- ♦ Colleges
- ♦ Apprenticeships and Traineeships



Look at as many organisations and watch as many clips as you can whilst using the Sigma Trust Virtual Careers Convention to help you understand more about the opportunities they offer and the routes and qualifications you need to achieve your goal.

What are my choices at 16 and beyond?

The types of qualification and routes available for 16 - 19 year olds include the following:

- ♦ Academic qualifications
- ♦ Vocational level qualifications
- ♦ Applied general qualifications
- ♦ T-Level qualifications
- ♦ Apprenticeships
- ♦ Traineeships
- ♦ Volunteering / Employment

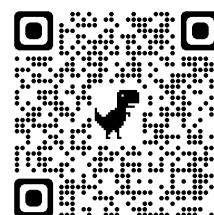


How to find and use the Sigma Trust 2021 Virtual Careers Convention

Where do I find the Virtual Careers Convention? Use this URL:

<http://bit.ly/VirtualCareersConvention21>

OR Scan this QR code:



Use the Up / Down arrows to get to slides 2 and 5 to choose the areas you want to look at.



Link back to home page



Click on one of the 30 options to be able to look at:

- Links enabling you to find out more about information regarding employers and other opportunities in that area
- YouTube clips enabling you to watch and find out more information on that area
- Labour Market Information (LMI) to find out about salaries and the number of jobs in that area.

Animal	Armed Forces & Security	Art & Design	Charity
Childcare	Construction	Creative	Digital Media
Education	Environmental	Finance & Related Services	Further & Higher Education
Gaming	General Careers Guidance	Hair & Beauty	Health
Hospitality	IT	Land Based	Law
Logistics	Manufacturing & Engineering	Music & Music Technology	Performing Arts
Police, Fire, Ambulance & Border Force	Retail & Services	Social Care	Sport
Travel & Tourism	Utilities - Gas, Water Solar etc		

What should I consider when looking at options?

Make a list including:

- ♦ What subjects do I enjoy?
- ♦ What subjects do I do well in?
- ♦ Would I prefer doing something more practical and hands on?
- ♦ Do I enjoy doing something that is more creative?
- ♦ What are my strengths and weaknesses?
- ♦ What are the pros and cons of my choices?
- ♦ Does the style of learning suit me?
- ♦ Do my predicted GCSE grades meet the entry criteria for the course(s) I would like to study?

To do more research you can use the Sigma Trust Virtual Careers Convention from home as well as at school. Link is: <http://bit.ly/VirtualCareersConvention>

Remember if you do not achieve a Grade 4 in your Maths and English Language GCSEs then you will have to continue studying these options at college.

Further Education Keeping my options open

When considering your college options remember you can apply to as many colleges as you want but **ONLY** for one option at each college. Our recommendation is to keep your options open and apply for at least two choices.