

# How to thrive in first year engineering

## CAREERS

Careers: from endless different jobs to taking your first step, this guide will provide the best advice of how to make the most of your first year!

During your first year at university, there are many opportunities to attend lots of insight days and events, as well as to secure a place on an insight week. If successful at this stage, there is the possibility to be fast-tracked for a summer internship or eventual graduate job. The following advice will give you a head start to thrive this year.

### APPLICATION PROCESS

There are many different processes to an application process, which vary between companies and industries. Throughout, you will need to demonstrate your extensive research of the company, particularly at the assessment centre stage. Below shows a typical application from CV to offer:

- CV: one/two page summary of your education, work experience, and achievements
- Cover letter: a letter to the firm outlining your interest in the company and suitability for the role
- Application form: involves filling out personal details and company specific questions
- Situational judgement/psychometric tests: numerical & reasoning tests as well as tests looking at how you react in certain job situations
- Video interviews: are conducted using a video technology system and assess your soft skills
- Assessment centre: will consist of a technical interview, motivation interview and group activity

### CAREERS WEBSITES

There are an abundance of careers websites which provide events, connect you directly to employers and provide advice. You are able to subscribe for emails with job updates. Listed below are the websites and their respective events.

- Bright Network: BN FESTIVAL, Internship Experience UK, BN Academy.

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- TARGETjobs: virtual Careers Fair, Future Female Engineers, IT's Not Just For The Boys.

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- SEO London: Graduate Engineering Engagement Programme (GEEP), Lunch&Learn.

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- Rare Recruitment: exclusive insight days and events, practice interviews.

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### OPPORTUNITIES AT WARWICK

By getting involved in activities inside and out of Warwick, you will boost your CV and enhance your employability. On-campus examples include: WES, Course representative (SSLC), student ambassador. More information is available on the Warwick Engineering Society Opportunities Spreadsheet (link included in the weekly emails).

