Work Experience

All students complete a week of work experience in Y10 and again in Y12. Volunteer work and work shadowing opportunities are also promoted within the sixth form. Students are encouraged to make the most of the numerous community links and local opportunities available to them, whilst also being encouraged to broaden their horizons. Subsequently recent work experience placements have included time spent in Westminster shadowing an MP, working at Jaguar Land Rover, GCHQ, Schneider Electric, within the NHS and at our local Universities.



Tavistock College places a large emphasis on the value of a relevant and developmental careers education to enhance the wider curriculum for all of our pupils. This builds incrementally year on year through PSHE and the lessons tutor This includes programme. workshops, trips, visits and employer engagement activities that all students can access. The College is proud to be fully compliant with all 8 Gatsby Benchmarks, the internationally recognised 'gold standard' for careers education in schools and is currently working towards the 'Investor in careers' quality mark.



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Careers Education

Employability skills and qualities



Experiences

Grades and qualifications





Careers Education at Tavistock College

Developing cultural capital and life experiences

Years 7 and 8

During this year students will get the opportunity to:

- Complete work in PSHE lessons on ambitions and future aims.
- Complete work in PSHE lessons on job roles and future careers.
- Be part of the Vistry Partnerships (Galliford Try Construction) 'Adopt a school' programme.
- Attend a careers speed dating event.
- Attend a KS4 options evening.
- Receive a personal options interview to discuss next steps and pathways.

Year 9

During this year students will get the opportunity to:

- Complete work in PSHE lessons on employability skills.
- Attend various STEM based curriculum activities.



Year 10

This year includes the first formal opportunity for work experience at the College. Students have the opportunity to:

- Complete a week of formal work experience.
- Complete a work experience tutor programme with employability work before and after the placement.
- Complete work in PSHE lessons on their life journey and options.
- Access various 'Women in STEM' opportunities.
- Complete a work shadowing placement at Schneider Electric.

Year 11

This year students have the opportunity to:

- Receive a personal options interview to discuss next steps.
- Access a full careers interview with a L6 trained careers advisor.
- Attend a KS5 options evening.
- Attend an Apprenticeship assembly and workshop.

In the Sixth Form

Sixth form students have the opportunity to:

- Attend collapsed curriculum days that focus on careers & employability skills.
- Complete a week of formal work experience.
- Attend a UCAS event and various University Open Days.
- Attend a national Apprenticeship Fair.
- Work with a designated mentor on their next steps and future career.
- Experience a mock interview.
- Access a range of volunteering and work shadowing opportunities.

