



Wirral Met College

HAVE YOU GOT WHAT IT TAKES TO BE AN APPRENTICE?



ETHAN BRISCOE
Higher Level Apprentice –
Laboratory Technician,
NHS

ELIGIBILITY

Must be aged 16+ and employed to complete an apprenticeship.

Existing staff and new recruits can have a Degree qualification providing it is not related to the apprenticeship.

HOURS OF WORK

The minimum duration of each apprenticeship is based on the apprentice working at least 30 hours per week including any off-the-job training. If the apprentice works fewer than 30 hours per week, the expected duration of the apprenticeship will be extended (pro-rata).

An apprentice's contracted working hours also include their 20% off-the-job training.

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE

Time spent in college for training (where applicable) must be included within the apprentice's working hours and paid at the normal hourly rate.

The employer must agree to allow the apprentices to attend college, when required.

LEVELS OF APPRENTICESHIP

APPRENTICESHIP LEVEL	EQUIVALENT
2	5 GCSE passes at grades A* to C
3	2 A Level passes
4 & 5	Foundation Degree / HNC/D
6	Bachelor's Degree
7	Master's Degree

SALARY

Apprentices must receive a minimum salary in line with the National Minimum Wage for apprentices. This is subject to change in line with government legislation.

For more details, visit gov.uk

Apprentices must be paid for their 20% off-the-job training.

20% OFF-THE-JOB TRAINING

All apprentices must complete off-the-job training; this must make up at least 20% of the apprentice's contracted hours over the planned duration of the apprenticeship.

Off-the-job training can include college day release* or training delivered at the apprentice's normal place of work.

**not English or Maths*

NOT QUITE READY FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP?

Take a look at our Traineeship/pre-Apprenticeship programmes – visit wmc.ac.uk/apprenticeships for details

Apprenticeships at Wirral Met College

Accounting
Business & Management
Childcare & Early Years
Construction
Engineering
Hair & Beauty
Health
Hospitality & Catering
Motor vehicle
Retail
Science
Warehousing Operations



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FIND APPRENTICESHIPS YOU'D LIKE

- Visit wmc.ac.uk/apprenticeships
- Register your interest for future vacancies
- Not sure which is best for you? Discuss your options – call 0151 551 7777

APPLY ONLINE

- Via wmc.ac.uk/apprenticeships
- Via National Apprenticeship Service – www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/



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A young woman with her hair in a braid, wearing a white long-sleeved shirt and a blue apron, is using a long-handled roller to paint a wall. The wall is white with some grey patches. The background is a solid blue color.

DEANNA ROBINSON
Painting & Decorating Apprentice,
Whittle Hankinson