

**University of Portsmouth
Outreach work with Schools and Colleges**

The University of Portsmouth runs a very successful outreach programme for local schools. We offer an incremental and progressively intensive progression package from year 5 through secondary school to year 13. We have two core aims:

- Increasing applications from under-represented groups in higher education, in particular we work with schools and colleges where there has traditionally been low progression into HE
- Enabling potential students to make informed decisions about whether the University of Portsmouth is right for them.

We recruit a team of Student Ambassadors and Mentors who support the work we do across all age ranges. All of our Ambassadors and Mentors are fully trained and CRB/DBS checked.

In addition to our activities delivered directly with schools and colleges we run a free individual membership club for 11-16 year olds, the UP for It club. There are about 5000 members. The club aims to raise aspirations, change perceptions and encourage pupils from all socio-economic backgrounds to see higher education as an attractive and accessible option. The free scheme has many benefits including fun and informative activities in the school holidays.

Primary Schools: 'UP for It Juniors' arranges for over 1500 children p.a. from Year 6 (10 and 11 year olds) to attend the University for a day and take part in a tour, interview a student, attend a mini-lecture and take part in mock graduation ceremony with robes and certificates. This day aims to raise aspirations and encourage the children to consider higher education for their future. This trip to the University is preceded by a talk and activity session that is delivered within school in Year 5.

Secondary Schools: As part of 'UP for It' for 11 to 16 year olds we run over 150 events p.a. offering campus tours, subject workshops, parents events and talks and workshops in schools that aim to inspire and motivate future study and a passion for learning.

Post 16: For A level/BTEC students we offer over 250 events p.a. under '**UP for your Future**'. Much of this work involves giving talks in schools and colleges and attending HE/careers fairs around the country.

Recently we have introduced a session specifically aimed at raising aspirations of students on level 3 vocational courses who are under-represented in HE. Also, each year, we run a very successful Year 12 conference series, attended by over 500 local 17 year olds, where academics from each faculty offer taster lectures to help young people make better informed decisions about their future subject choice.

For more information on any of our activities please use the links in this document or see <http://www.port.ac.uk/departments/services/educationliaison/>

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Careers and Recruitment

The University of Portsmouth offers support to all students and graduates throughout their time at University and up to 5 years after graduation. We offer

Purple Door Recruitment

Our in-house agency is run for students and graduates by the University of Portsmouth. We are here to help you take those first steps from student life into the world of graduate employment.

We work with local employers within the Hampshire area by advertising their graduate opportunities and helping to place graduates in these roles

Purple Door Recruitment Volunteering

We work with local charities and community organisations to match your skills with their needs. Gain experience in marketing, web design, finance, IT – the list is endless.

The Volunteering Bank, which is situated at Purple Door, lists all the on-going roles available with local charities and enables students to make direct applications.

Our Jobs Board

Students and Graduates view our online vacancies database, updated on a daily basis, for students, recent graduates and postgraduates. Vacancies include details of full-time work, part-time work, volunteering and placement opportunities

Appointments with Career Advisers

Students and graduates can book appointments with Careers Advisers. This is another opportunity for students and graduates to discuss their future career plans in more depth.

Events and Workshops

Purple Door Careers and Recruitment offer a wide variety of Events and Workshops to support students and graduates. These events range from Mock Interviews through to our Graduate Recruitment Fair

Local Labour Market Information

Purple Door Recruitment works with over 5000 organisations across the South East including both the commercial and third sector. As stated, the agency works pro-actively with these employers to place students and graduates into volunteer, part-time and graduate positions.

The Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) survey provides information on the activities of graduates after leaving higher education institutions. Data is collected through surveys carried out approximately six months after students leave their institution and relates to UK and EU domiciled students only. The information presented below shows a regional snapshot based on the 2012 survey.

UK domicile, First Degree 2012 leavers			
District	Non-Professional/Non-Managerial	Professional/Managerial	Grand Total
Chichester District	7	12	19
Isle of Wight	12	26	38
Neighbouring Portsmouth	59	121	180
Non PO & SO	600	1311	1911
Portsmouth Central	57	132	189
Southampton	45	75	120
Grand Total	780	1677	2457

UK domicile, First Degree 2012 leavers		
District	Non-Professional/Non-Managerial	Professional/Managerial
Chichester District	36.8%	63.2%
Isle of Wight	31.6%	68.4%
Neighbouring Portsmouth	32.8%	67.2%
Non PO & SO	31.4%	68.6%
Portsmouth Central	30.2%	69.8%
Southampton	37.5%	62.5%
Grand Total	31.7%	68.3%

Based on Home Post code

Portsmouth Central = PO1 - PO6

Neighbouring Portsmouth = Havant, W'ville, F'ham, G'port

Chichester District = Chi, Ems, B'Regis

As demonstrated through the statistics, there are still a number of graduates entering 'Non-Professional' occupations in the local region.

Generally over the past 12 months the graduate labour market has become more buoyant with a noticeable increase of graduate level vacancies from local employers.