

## Higher Futures Fact Sheet

Free impartial skills service which can help you:

- Build your talent pipeline - access to schools, colleges, universities through grad / undergrad/ post grad placements
- Upskill your new / existing workforce via apprenticeships, qualifications, short training programmes, bespoke training and online learning.
- Navigate apprenticeship funding
- Advertise your vacancies and share these with our academic and business networks

### Learning Hub:

A comprehensive prospectus of Higher Education courses delivered locally by leading colleges and universities.

Employees, managers and business leaders have the opportunity to access subsidised Higher Education opportunities. 'Learning Hub' is a prospectus of Higher Education courses delivered by our partnership providers across the South/South West region.

Employers and candidates alike can browse the breadth of Higher Education provision available through apprenticeships and proceed to enrolment on a course of their choice.

### Apprenticeships:

An Apprenticeship allows people to work and train at the same time and is a great way to give your business a competitive edge. As a business, you can select a standard course that is relevant to the job requirements and provides your employees with the skills and training they need to progress.

Apprenticeships can be used to upskill new members of your team as well as the existing workforce. There are a range of levels available starting from level 2 (GCSE equiv.) to level 7 (Masters). Talk to Higher Futures about the options available

There are hundreds of apprenticeship standards / trailblazers available which have been designed by employers and training providers, the full list can be found

<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/>.

If you'd like to know what the most up to date standards are or which standards will be going live in the near future, <https://higherfutures.swlep.co.uk/about/contact>

The government will fund apprenticeship training up to a maximum funding band. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apprenticeship-funding-bands> / costs for apprenticeships range from £1,500 to £27,000.

### GradTalent Development Agency

The [GradTalent Development Agency](#) offers a personalised employment service designed to assist graduates from the South West to secure local graduate opportunities. Bath Spa University has partnered with the University of Bath, Bath College and the Swindon and Wiltshire Local Enterprise Partnership to provide employment services to South-West region businesses and graduates. This valuable service has been funded by the Office for Students.

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