

# Meet Dom

## Apprenticeship & Career Engagement Apprentice

Hi, my name is Dom. I am an apprentice in the Apprenticeship and Career Engagement team at the Royal United Hospitals Bath. Find out more below about apprenticeships and work experience as well as how I got into this role.



### How did you find out about work experience at the RUH?

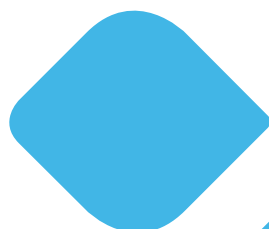
I found it through a careers channel at my college. I decided to apply as I thought it would be beneficial to my CV or a potential uni application. I also thought that working at a hospital must be quite interesting.

### How did you apply for it?

I completed the application forms from the RUH website and emailed them to the team.

### Where did you do your work experience and what was it like?

I did my work experience the Communications Team, it involved shadowing team meetings, taking pictures at an awards event and designing some social media content. The team were great, and I really enjoyed learning about what they and other departments at the RUH do.



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## **How did you find out about this apprenticeship?**

Following my work experience in April, I found the vacancy on the RUH website in June and I thought it looked varied and interesting. So I decided to apply, filling out the online application form with details about myself and my education and previous work experience. Next I was invited to an interview at the Education Centre and met the team.

## **What made you choose to work at the RUH?**

From my work experience placement I saw that the staff are really passionate about their jobs and it made me want to be a part of it. I was also impressed by the values of the RUH which are Everyone Matters, Working Together, Making a Difference. They emphasise the importance of teamwork and its role in delivering good care for the patients.

## **Why did you decide to apply for an apprenticeship?**


When doing my A-levels I was introduced to the possibility of doing an apprenticeship and not necessarily having to go to university. I thought that getting hands on experience of the workplace would be beneficial for me as it's more practical than the more theory focused university approach.

Another advantage of doing an apprenticeship is getting a qualification that's paid for by the apprenticeship levy. Which is great because a student loan was one of my main concerns about going to university. I'm currently studying for my Level 2 Customer Service qualification.

## **Would you recommend an apprenticeship to someone considering it?**

Yes, I would definitely recommend doing an apprenticeship. It's a great way to gain experience and earn some money at the same time. However university is also a really good option, so ultimately it's up to you and what you think would work best for you.

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If you would like to find out more about work experience and apprenticeships get in touch.

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