

Life under lockdown as an apprentice

Tom Culley shares his experience so far...

Being a BT apprentice during the lockdown

Hi, my name is Tom Culley and I'm a second year Networks Degree Apprentice at BT and I work in one of our core network integration teams. More than ever, our network across the UK has been under pressure and therefore I can't say it's been a quiet few weeks since the COVID-19 restrictions began.

Working day and night

We have been working as a team night and day to deliver the increased capacity across the nation as more families and friends connect with each other over the internet and sit down for an evening of Netflix in high resolution!!

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Microsoft Team meetings

Being based at home during this unusual time definitely can be difficult but we are meeting regularly using Microsoft Teams to discuss the high risk and high priority work ahead of us but also to have a chat and catch up.

Volunteering with the NHS

As well as working on some really important COVID-19 pieces of work, I have recently volunteered as a NHS Volunteer Responder where I am ready and waiting for calls to help with shopping for the vulnerable, delivery of prescriptions, transporting equipment on behalf of the NHS and more!

YAAN Co-Chair responsibilities

As well as my daily role at BT, I've also been working hard behind the scenes as a new YAAN Co-Chair in the London region and myself and Luke, the other Co-Chair in London, are really excited about what's ahead. I guess the COVID-19 period is giving us a lot of time to plan our ideas out.

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Final thoughts...

So in conclusion, it's a busy time for me as always and I'm really enjoying working on such critical work at such a critical time. I have to be honest that I'm very #ProudToBeBT #BeyondLimits

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