

BRITISH ARMY APPRENTICESHIPS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS & CARERS



Is your child:

- Interested in a career in the British Army?
- Looking for an apprenticeship in roles ranging from engineering to animal care, chef to construction and more?
- Seeking an exciting career where they will be making a difference?

An apprenticeship with the British Army could be for them!

DID YOU KNOW?



Top apprenticeship employer

The British Army has been named the number 1 apprenticeship employer for the last 4 years.



Gain skills & qualifications

Apprentices develop transferable skills to support their progress in the British Army and as a civilian.



Offer 40+ apprenticeships

You can do an apprenticeship in Medical, HR, Communications, Intelligence, Combat & more.



Free healthcare & benefits

Medical/dental care, 30 days leave, cheaper accommodation and more available for apprentices.



Level 2 to degree level

Apprenticeships range from Level 2 (GCSE level) up to degree level, and are paid for by the British Army.



Travel the world

Whether you're on deployment, adventure training or competing in sports, you can travel the world.



Starting salary of £25,000+

Apprentices are paid a competitive starting salary from day 1 of basic training.



International sports

You can try new sports with dedicated time each week and the chance to compete internationally.

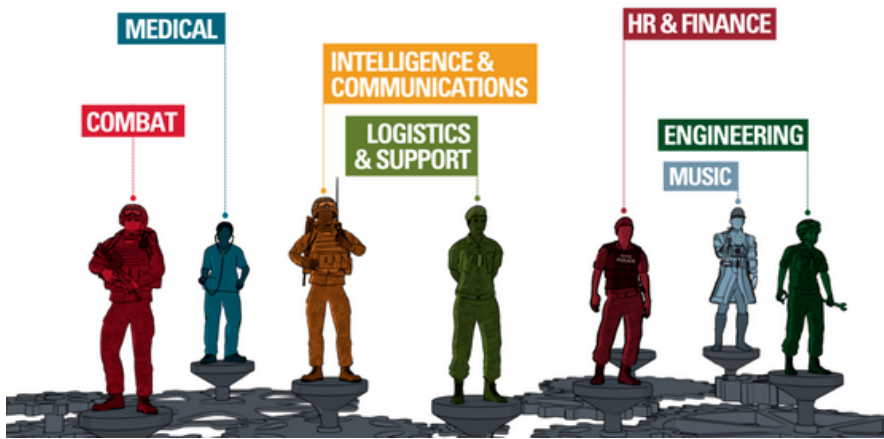


Not all roles are on the front line

There are lots of roles working alongside combat which keep the British Army functioning, such as Engineering and Communication roles.

RANGE OF APPRENTICESHIPS

There are a range of apprenticeships available across 7 different career streams:



SUCH AS:

- PRODUCTION CHEF
- RADIO NETWORK TECHNICIAN
- ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN
- BUSINESS ADMIN
- AVIATION OPERATIONS MANAGER
- VETERINARY NURSING

HEAR FROM PARENTS

“ My advice for any parents whose children are considering applying, would be to stay connected and communicate with their recruitment officer. The support and information that we were given throughout the entire process squashed all concerns, worries and doubts. Our son had a lot of work to do physically before he could go forward with his application and the support and advice that we received was amazing. They helped us throughout the entire process and as a family, this filled us with confidence to move forward and support him with the decision that he had made.

HAZEL



“ When you look at the world, you do worry. But when I speak to Oscar about those worries, he reassures me that he's going to be fine, it's his job and he's confident in what he's doing. When he's talking about Harrogate, the Army and what he's doing, he's completely different - he changes into this grown up. I'm really proud of him.

MANDY



FAQS

WILL APPRENTICES GO TO WAR / BE ON THE FRONT LINE?

Whilst it is not the day-to-day job of all soldiers (e.g. mechanics, chefs, engineers), there can be times personnel are required to serve in combat situations, such as in WW2 or Afghanistan. However, not all roles will be required or close to the front line, and all soldiers are highly trained.

DO APPRENTICES GET TIME OFF AND ANNUAL LEAVE?

Yes. During the training phase, there are weekends and holiday periods built in. Once you have finished your training and have joined your unit, you are free to come and go at weekends as long as you do not have any duties. Soldiers also have annual leave.

DO APPRENTICES HAVE TO SERVE A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF TIME?

During your basic training, you can change your mind within the first 4 weeks. After this point, soldiers are expected to serve for 4 years, including their training, but can hand in their notice after 3 years. The majority of soldiers stay for much longer.

WHAT PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES ARE THERE IN THE ARMY?

Every Regiment and Corps is designed to offer a variety of roles and trades, with a structure in place to ensure promotion and career progression. You can explore the Army Role Finder on the Army Jobs website to learn about the specific progression opportunities.

WHAT DOES LIFE LOOK LIKE AFTER THE ARMY?

Throughout your career, the Army encourage, and will pay, for you to gain qualifications, from apprenticeships to help with your literacy and numeracy skills, through to masters and PhDs, the Army will invest in you. These qualifications will enhance both your Army career and are valued by civilian employers.

HOW DOES A CAREER IN THE ARMY IMPACT ON A FAMILY/PERSONAL LIFE?

Being a soldier can impact personal and family life, such as being away from home, but the Army is committed to supporting you (and your family) wherever your career takes you, whether around housing, children, pregnancy or flexibility, there is lots of support available.

HOW CAN I SUPPORT THEM TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION?

Ultimately, we would just encourage families to research as much as possible to make sure the role and Army life is right for your child. Lots of support is also available for parents/carers who are advising their child through our dedicated advisers at our Army Recruitment Centres.



FIND OUT MORE SUPPORT FOR PARENTS & CARERS

There is lots of information and guidance available to help you as a parent/carer to learn more about the variety of British Army apprenticeships and the different careers available.

Explore the websites and resources below:



**ARMY RECRUITMENT
CENTRE**

Visit a careers centre to get support through each stage of the journey

tinyurl.com/army-careerscentre



**ARMY JOBS
WEBSITE**

Visit the Army Jobs website to explore different roles and to ask your questions

jobs.army.mod.uk



**AFC
HARROGATE FILM**

Watch this short film to learn more about the Army Foundation College in Harrogate

tinyurl.com/afcarmy-film



**THE PARENT
PERSPECTIVE
PODCAST**

Listen to The Parent Perspective podcast episode dedicated to the Army

tinyurl.com/army-podcast

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No matter how long you have been serving or how old you are, your Mum still worries about you. The thing to take away is our soldiers are superbly well-trained, well-equipped and they are the most professional soldiers in the world. They are confident in their abilities. It can be a dangerous job, it often isn't - it is no more dangerous than other jobs in our economy. We are extremely proud of our apprentices.

**COLONEL
TERBLANCHE**

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