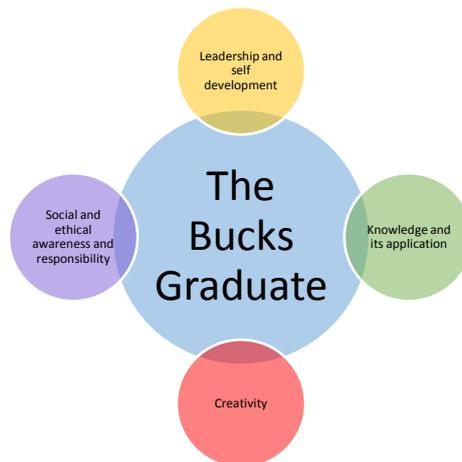


Bucks Careers & Employability Offer

Our students may be career starters, career developers or career changers, and our support reflects this, encouraging students to enhance their professional persona through work experiences, and how they communicate their skills and attributes. A set of Bucks Graduate Attributes is used as the framework for benchmarking progress towards this.



Timetabled "Career Start" sessions during their first week introduce first years to the support available, which includes access to "MyBucksCareer", the university's online platform for careers and employability information. The platform can be accessed via www.bucks.ac.uk/careers.

Students and alumni can access support around career choice and job search from trained careers practitioners, who maintain their knowledge via membership of AGCAS and regular employer contact. To access career guidance, get advice on job applications or business start-up, or to book onto a mock assessment centre email careers@bucks.ac.uk.

We value diversity and inclusivity and want everyone to be treated with respect whoever they are, however they identify, and whatever characteristics they feel are important to their identity. We provide information, advice and signposting to help all our students move beyond university positively, and we encourage the employers we work with to take a positive approach to Bucks applicants.

As a small and friendly institution we get to know our students well. Our alumni have great outcomes and we make full use of their experiences to raise aspirations and social capital for our current students. You can see examples at www.thebucksgraduate.com.

All courses at Bucks are validated with industry input. Our emphasis on vocational courses leads to a high proportion of lecturers with roots in industry, and many of our courses are accredited by professional bodies (visit the course pages of our website for more details).

All students are encouraged to build their industry sector experience with many courses offering work related learning; such as work experience, live briefs and employer presentations.

Our Students' Union encourages students to take up volunteering, with its beneficial impact on developing communication skills, leadership attributes and social and ethical awareness.

Engagement in Union activities such as being a course rep or running a union Society are also recognised as career enhancing. Find out more by visiting www.bucksstudentsunion.org.

Being innovative and solution-focused is vital in today's labour market and commercialisation, business planning and service improvement are key features of many of our courses. Our careers platform includes targeted support for students interested in exploring business start-up. There is dedicated office space available for students and alumni requiring quiet working areas, and board room style accommodation for meeting potential investors or customers. To book this space email careers@bucks.ac.uk.