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with Bury College Apprenticeships

Bury College - Awarded Outstanding Grade 1s in all Areas Inspected

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With over 25 years experience **Bury College Apprenticeships** provide outstanding training opportunities to both employers and learners by combining quality employment with exceptional work-based training programmes. We currently have over 700 Apprentices working for 600 companies in the local area, and this brochure highlights just a fraction of the many **Bury College Apprentice** successes.

Bury College Apprentice Highly Commended

Bury College Apprentice **Collette Paul**, a former pupil of **Radcliffe Riverside**, was singled out for her achievements at the **Greater Manchester Learning and Skills Council North West Learner Awards**.

Collette, who is completing an Apprenticeship in Customer Services whilst working for **L'Oreal Golden Ltd** in Bury, was a 'highly commended' finalist in the **Apprentice of the Year** category.



John Craven OBE recognised the achievements and dedication shown by Collette and the other Apprentices during the awards; "Apprenticeship' is such an honourable word – skilled craftsmen and women passing on their knowledge and experience to ensure skills are retained for future generations. Tonight you are the stars of the show, the future of this country – congratulations."

L'Oreal commented: "Through the Apprenticeship scheme at Bury College we have gained a motivated and enthusiastic individual who has been able to work within our business whilst studying for a qualification. I'm really

pleased to say that we have been able to offer her a permanent position."

WHAT OUR APPRENTICES SAY

"I got my job through doing an Apprenticeship with Bury College. It's a fantastic way of learning, gaining a qualification and earning money!"

Ruth Brooks, a former pupil of **Woodhey High School**.



Apprentice Aims Higher



Bury College Apprentice **Andrew Gent** has succeeded in gaining a place at University thanks to an innovative HE project.

After completing an Advanced Apprenticeship with Bury College, Andrew, a former pupil of **Woodhey High School**, was keen on studying a Computing course at University but unsure if it was a possibility for him. Andrew received information about returning to education from the **Higher Futures for Apprentices** project and was encouraged to enrol on the **Step-Into HE** course, run at Bury College.

Andrew has since benefited from one to one mentoring and support which has contributed to his progression to University.

Congratulations to all the Bury College Apprentices who have succeeded in completing their programmes. Thanks to their own dedication and the support received from the Apprenticeship team, they are now reaping the benefits of an NVQ and Key Skills qualification.

Bury College Apprentices Excel in Electrical Competition



Two Bury College Electrical Apprentices have excelled in this year's **NAPIT's Technical Skills Competition** for Young Electricians. Both trainees were up against other Apprentices from across the North of England.

Ashley Dunn, a former pupil of **Elton High School** was exceptional and took first place in his group at the competition which was held in Harrogate. Ashley is a first year Apprentice, completing an NVQ Level 2 in Electrical Installation, whilst working for **Kaberrys Electrical Contractors**. **Dale Grindrod**, who joined Bury College after finishing his studies at **Broad oak High School**, also excelled in the competition and was awarded fourth place in his group. Dale has progressed onto an Advanced Bury College Apprenticeship and is employed by **Jacksons Rich Electrical Contractors**.

Framework Certificate Achiever



Amanda Newham completed her NVQ Level 2 in **Customer Service** whilst working as service administrator for **Vision Commercial Kitchens** in **Whitefield**.

Due to her own dedication, and the excellent support from her Assessor and employer she completed the Apprenticeship programme in just **three months**. Amanda, a former pupil of **Derby High School** is keen to further her career and plans to progress onto an Advanced Apprenticeship.

WHAT OUR APPRENTICES SAY

"The **Administration** Apprenticeship has given me the knowledge I need to fulfil my role. The support I have received from **Bury College Apprenticeships** has been fantastic. Thank you!"

Abigail Clarke, a former pupil of **Woodhey High School**.



10 Year Relationship with Bury College



High flyer **Kerry Print**, a former pupil of **St. James C of E School** celebrated a personal achievement after completing her Advanced Apprenticeship in **Business Administration** in just six months. This is a fantastic achievement as the NVQ Level 3 qualification can take up to two years to complete!

Kerry, an employee with **Adam F Greenhalgh** since March 2006, is the latest in a string of successful Apprenticeship trainees employed by the Bolton legal company.

Kerry commented "I have really enjoyed the Apprenticeship scheme, and it has helped me to develop my confidence at work. My assessor has been really supportive and with the help I received I have been able to advance in my career and follow a route which will allow me to fulfil my career goals."

Kerry's manager Jean Mellor added, "**Adam F Greenhalgh** have had a close relationship with **Bury College Apprenticeships** for over ten years. Kerry's achievements have been excellent and as a company the Apprenticeship scheme has allowed us to demonstrate our commitment to staff training and development."

Wired for Success

Bury College Apprenticeships helped **Michael Sawzcuk** take the first steps in what is sure to be a very successful IT career by securing him a job at **Broad Oak High School**. Michael, a former pupil of **Castlebrook High School** commented "The opportunity sounded really exciting so I contacted **Bury College Apprenticeships** to apply for the role. I received excellent assistance from the team in applying for the vacancy and I was successful in obtaining the position at **Broad Oak**."

Having successfully completed an NVQ Level 2 Apprenticeship in **Information Technology**, Michael has progressed onto the Advanced Apprenticeship. Completing the Advanced Apprenticeship will allow Michael to further his career in Information Technology and enhance his skills.

Michael is already putting his knowledge to good use as he is supervising another member of staff who is also completing an Apprenticeship.



A Fresh Start

Bury College Apprentice **Sam Appleyard** has successfully secured a Warehousing Apprenticeship with **Keystones Distribution**.

Sam left full time education in Year 10, but was determined to improve himself, and has since completed a number of courses to enhance his key skills. He approached Bury College Apprenticeships who sourced a suitable vacancy and arranged an interview.



Sam was very successful during what was his first ever interview. He impressed the panel with his honesty, positive attitude and enthusiasm and was happily offered a trainee position. **Ann Noblett**, H.R. Officer at Keystones Distribution commented, "Sam is a credit to himself, and we would be thrilled to give him the opportunity to commence an Apprenticeship with us".

WHAT OUR APPRENTICES SAY

"Since completing the Apprenticeship programme, I've received a promotion at work and am looking to developing my skills further by moving onto the Advanced Customer Service Apprenticeship".



Aaron O'Loughlin, a former pupil of **All Saints Catholic School**

Assessor Support Ensures Success

Katy Hogarth, a former pupil of **Tottington High School**, has taken the first steps to realising her dream of a career in hair and beauty by completing a Hair and Beauty Apprenticeship with Bury College.

Whilst completing her Apprenticeship Katy underwent a serious operation, but with the support from Bury College Apprenticeships Katy successfully completed her qualification to become a fully qualified stylist.

Katy commented "I have really enjoyed completing the Apprenticeship in Hair & Beauty. The college tutors were supportive and I have gained excellent work experience. I was able to put my training on hold whilst I was in hospital, and re-start my training from where I'd left off."



WHAT OUR EMPLOYERS SAY

"Training is an essential part of our business and very important for all our staff. Undertaking the Apprenticeship scheme through Bury College has been extremely flexible, with most of the training completed here in the workplace."

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Catering Apprentice of the Year

Eva Hrbckova, from Sudden in Rochdale, has been named Bury College's Catering Apprentice of the Year for her tremendous effort and success.

Eva, aged 24, is originally from the Czech Republic and has lived in the UK for seven years. Overcoming the language barrier to complete her **Bury College Apprenticeship** in Multi-skilled Hospitality Service, Eva has also balanced a hectic lifestyle, combining study with a full time position in an office catering operation and looking after her two small children, aged two and five.

Eva is delighted; "Completing the Bury College Apprenticeship has given me lots more confidence and a far better knowledge of the catering world. Thanks to the Apprenticeship scheme I have got a new job which wouldn't have been possible without the qualification."

WHAT OUR EMPLOYERS SAY

"Bury College Apprenticeships are so aware of our company needs that they source and provide individuals they know will be suited to our business.

Working with Bury College Apprenticeships has meant we can obtain young, committed students who are eager to progress within the company."

Ann Barns, HR Manager – Pennine Telecom

WHAT OUR APPRENTICES SAY

"The Apprenticeship scheme has been really good for me; I am really proud that I now have a qualification in Customer Service".

Emma Eastham,
Bury College Adult Apprentice



NEW Apprenticeships

Bury College Apprenticeships are delighted to announce the addition of three **NEW** Apprenticeship areas.

NEW Apprenticeships are now available in **Nail Services**, **Manufacturing**, and **Fitness Instructing**. For more information please contact the Bury College Apprenticeships team on **0845 602 1861**.

Apprentice of the Month

Adult Apprentice **Gary Saunders** is delighted to have been awarded Apprentice of the Month. Gary, who is currently completing his **NVQ Level 2 in Construction**, suffers from dyslexia but despite this barrier he passed his KeySkills in Communication and Application of Number with the support from his assessor.

Gary hopes to progress onto an Advanced Apprenticeship with Bury College. He comments: "I am really pleased with my Apprenticeship, I couldn't have been more happy with all the support I have been given."



If you or your company have a success story that you would like to contribute to the next edition, please email: janine.nixon@burycollege.ac.uk or telephone: 0161 280 8345.



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