



The Apprenticeship Experience Interview

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WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO UNDERTAKE AN APPRENTICESHIP?

Having completed something similar prior to joining the apprenticeship, I know that it is the best way to learn while gaining on the job experience. For me, this was an industry I wanted to work in and an apprenticeship was the best way to do that as I could be paid while learning the new skills I needed.

WHAT SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE HAVE YOU GAINED THROUGH THE APPRENTICESHIP SO FAR?

Since starting, I have gained a strong understanding of the importance of working safely and the risks associated with not doing so. I have also learned to install, maintain and repair instrumentation systems as well as learning how to read and use the drawings needed for them.

WHAT DOES A TYPICAL DAY LOOK LIKE FOR YOU?

As I am still at college, it's a mixture of practical work where I am learning the skills for my job and classroom work where I am working towards a HNC.

WHAT HAS BEEN THE MOST REWARDING ASPECT OF YOUR APPRENTICESHIP EXPERIENCE?

For me, it is meeting new people and making friends who I hope to stay in contact with long after my apprenticeship is completed.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE SOMEONE CONSIDERING AN APPRENTICESHIP IN THE ENERGY SECTOR?

From what I have learned so far, I feel like it is the best sector to get into with so many changes and huge projects going on around the world. So anyone thinking about it should just go for it!