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Instrumentation | Year 3

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The Apprenticeship
Experience Interview



WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO UNDERTAKE AN APPRENTICESHIP?



A lot of people from my area had done it or were mid-way through the apprenticeship, it really interested me as I had heard nothing but good things about it.



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

I gained a basic understanding of other disciplines and my own, as well as gaining a far better understanding of my own discipline, such as how the instruments work and how to fault find those instruments.

WHAT DOES A TYPICAL DAY LOOK LIKE FOR YOU?



In 1st and 2nd year it was all college work, with a ratio of 60/40 books and practical work. But now 3rd year (offshore) I mainly shadow other instrument techs and learn more about the job. Also getting to partake in simpler jobs as well.



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

Definitely the learning a trade aspect, as it is something you will keep with you forever.

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



Do it!

