

HND/BSc Computing

Graduate opportunities occur both in IT companies and 'end-user' organisations. IT companies range from industry giants such as IBM to SMEs employing fewer than five people. Some of the common roles of new graduates include IT Consultant, Systems Analyst, Network Engineer, Software Engineer, Information Systems Manager, Applications Programmer, Computer Sales Support, Database Administrator, and Computer Operations Manager.

Professional Bodies

Professional Bodies often have their own web sites, which include sections on careers, professional development and jobs. Those of particular relevance to computing students are:

British Computer Society

www.bcs.org.uk Tel: 01793 417 417

Institute for the Management of Information Systems (IMIS)

www.imis.org.uk Tel: 0700 00 23456

National Computing Centre

www.ncc.co.uk Tel: 0161 228 6333

Institute of Analysts and Programmers

www.iap.org.uk Tel: 020 8567 2118

Intellect (formerly Computer Software and Services Association)

www.intellectuk.org Tel: 020 7331 2000

Other Relevant Job Search Information:

www.e-skills.com

VNU Business Publications

Computing Users Yearbook

www.vnuservices.co.uk

Computing Careers Yearbook

www.insidecareers.co.uk

(produce computing and IT magazines)

(Both are available in the library)

Association of Technology Staffing Companies www.atsco.org

Recruitment Agencies and Jobsearch Sites

www.theitjobboard.com

www.totaljobs.com

www.computerweekly.com

www.stopbyinternet.co.uk

<http://www.justit.co.uk>

www.computing.co.uk

<http://www.planetrecruitment.com>

www.qgsrecruitment.co.uk

<http://www.dayjob.com/itjobs>

www.technojobs.co.uk

The Guardian and Times (Thursdays) and Observer (Sundays) also advertise IT vacancies

Graduate Destinations

Some examples of roles Leeds Met Computing graduates have taken after leaving university:

British Telecom – Data Analyst

Eurodirect – Data Analyst

THALES – Project Manager

Ortho care – IT supervisor

TSYS – Process improvement analyst

Fusion – Software developer

NPower – Analyst programmer

PC Ideas - Computer Technician/Sales

HBOS – IT Officer

Web Architects – Web Designer

Willow Tree Primary School – ICT Technician
Code Crafters – Software Engineer

It can be useful to talk to someone who is already working in the profession to find out more about how to get work, develop skills etc. This is called informational interviewing. If you would like to do this take a look at this further information

(www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/information_interview.html) and these guidelines

(www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/informational_interview_groundrules.html).

Finding Work - www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/general.html

Self Employment - www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/self_employment.html

Gap Year Information - www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/gap_year.html

Postgraduate Study - www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/postgraduate_study.html

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