

# Finding a job in Sport & Leisure

For up to date and more in-depth information about careers in the sport & leisure sector, click on these links:

[Careers information, written by SkillsActive, sector skills council for Sport and Active Leisure](#)

[Sport, tourism and hospitality sector guide, written by Prospects, the UK's official graduate careers website](#)

[Sport & Leisure – job profiles, labour market information and useful links, written by the National Careers Service](#)

[What do UWE graduates do? Examples of previous employers and jobs secured by UWE graduates for your course](#)

## Useful websites

[Activate Sport](#)

[Adidas](#)

[Aspire Sport and Cultural Trust](#)

[Aspire Sports](#)

[BAPA](#)

[BASES](#)

[BBC Kick Off](#)

[BDS Sponsorship](#)

[BlackBookSports](#)

[British Olympic Association](#)

[CIMPSA Jobs Board](#)

[David Lloyd Leisure](#)

[Decathlon](#)

[England Netball](#)

[English Institute of Sport](#)

[Eteach](#)

[FA Group](#)

[Fitness First](#)

[Football Jobs](#)

[Football Radar](#)

[Golf Today](#)

[Graduate Jobs in Sport](#)

[Jobs Go Public](#)

[Jobs in Further Education](#)

[Jobs in Higher Education](#)

[Jobs in Hockey](#)

[Jobs with Balls](#)

[Keith Prowse](#)

[King's Recruit](#)

[LA Fitness](#)

[Leisure Jobs](#)

[Leisure Opportunities](#)

[Leisure Work](#)

[Limelight Sports](#)

[Local Government Talent](#)

[Merlin Entertainments Group](#)

[Merlin XLR8](#)

[NHS Jobs](#)

[Nike](#)

[Nuffield Health – Fitness &](#)

[Wellbeing](#)

[Octagon](#)

[Octagon](#)

[Outdoor Staff](#)

[Prozone](#)

[Public Jobs Direct](#)

[Puma](#)

[Rugby Jobs](#)

[Society of Sports Therapists](#)

[Sport Business](#)

[Sport England](#)

[Sport First](#)

[Sport Lived](#)

[Sport Northern Ireland](#)

[Sport Scotland](#)

[Sport Wales](#)

[Sportcal](#)

[Sports Coach UK](#)

[Sports International Management](#)

[Sports Journalism](#)

[Sports Recruitment International](#)

[Super Stars](#)

[The FA](#)

[The Guardian – Sport & Fitness Jobs](#)

[The Outward Bound Trust](#)

[Times Education Supplement](#)

[UK Active](#)

[UK Sport](#)

[UK Strength & Conditioning](#)

[Association](#)

[Virgin Active](#)

[Wasserman Media Group](#)

[Women's Sport and Fitness](#)

[Foundation](#)

[Youth Sport Trust](#)

[www.indeed.co.uk](http://www.indeed.co.uk) – a very useful job search engine.

Use keywords or job titles: [Sport](#) [Sports coach](#) [Exercise](#) [Fitness](#) [Sports Assistant](#) [Personal Trainer](#) [Rugby Coach](#) [Leisure](#) [Rehabilitation](#) [Activity Instructor](#) [Physiotherapy Assistant](#) [Sports Therapist](#) [Sports Manger](#) [Sport Psychology](#) [Strength & Conditioning](#) [Sport Science](#) [Sports Intern](#) or whatever is relevant to you.

Tip - save the search so that you receive automatic emails when jobs are listed.

## Useful websites for speculative applications

[Sports Business Marketplace Directory](#) – directory of sports-related organisations

[Football Writers Association – New Writers](#)

[Yell](#) – use different search terms to generate contacts for speculative applications. Search terms include: *sport marketing, sport massage, leisure centre, sports injury centres, sports clubs and associations.*

[Careers in Sport](#) – jobs listings, job profiles, articles and careers events

[BUPA](#) – the private sector may have health advisor roles.

[Independent Schools Council](#) – private schools may have coaching roles

### **Hidden, speculative & volunteering opportunities**

A speculative application involves approaching an employer about an opportunity which has not been advertised to enquire if there are any potential positions (such as placement, work experience, job shadowing or graduate job) – now or in the future. Not all job opportunities are advertised, indeed it is estimated that up to 70% of jobs are secured via the “hidden market”. This hidden market refers to employers filling vacancies through head-hunting, verbal informal advertising or utilising potential candidates who have been “on file”. Tapping into the hidden market requires a proactive approach which can be achieved through networking or making a speculative application.

There are different ways to make a speculative approach: writing to or emailing the organisation; telephoning; face to face and social media. For further advice on making effective speculative applications, see the UWE InfoHub resource sheets: [Speculative Applications](#) and [How do I use social media to find opportunities?](#)

Employers would prefer to see periods of volunteering, rather than long periods of unemployment or inactivity. Do not over commit, leaving little time to apply for permanent jobs. However, it can be a great way to gain interesting additional experience.

Try the following sites to find opportunities in your area:

[UWE InfoHub – employment, work experience and volunteering](#)

[UWE Volunteering](#)

[Do It](#)

[Time Bank](#)

[Vinspired](#)

[Volunteering England](#)

[Volunteering Wales](#)

[Volunteer Development Scotland](#)

**These materials are suggested by UWE Careers. We also recommend that you research other resources to broaden your options. If you find a resource that may be useful to UWE students and graduates, please email [infohub@uwe.ac.uk](mailto:infohub@uwe.ac.uk)**

### **How can UWE Careers help?**

Go to UWE InfoHub home page to view the full menu of options for vacancies, careers resources, events and available appointments.

One to one appointments are available for support with CVs and applications or for career coaching. Telephone appointments are also available and you can post careers enquiries online using [UWE InfoHub - My Questions](#). You can also book an appointment by ringing UWE Information Point 0117 32 85678.

In order to make the best use of this time we advise that you do some research and preparation using the resources on [www.uwe.ac.uk/careers](http://www.uwe.ac.uk/careers) or [UWE Infohub](#) beforehand. UWE Careers also provides a range of activities including employer presentations; Meet the Employers Fairs and skills workshops on topics from CVs to Assessment Centres to help you prepare for your future after university. These can be viewed on your UWE Infohub home page under [Events](#).

