

Work Experience Launch





An Island wide Skills Service







What is Trident Work Experience?

- Two-week unpaid work experience placement (5 days per week, 10 days in total) that Year 10 students in the island complete.
- It is an opportunity to develop important employability and transferrable skills
- Gain an insight into the world of work
- Work as part of an adult team
- Take on commitment and responsibility
- Try something that interests you
- Help you make your post 16 choices



Why do we have to do Trident?

Gatsby Benchmark 6: Experiences of workplaces

Every pupil should have first-hand experiences of the workplace through work visits, work shadowing and/or work experience to help their exploration of career opportunities and expand their networks.

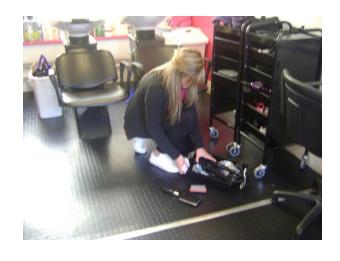
By the age of 16, every pupil should have had at least one experience of a workplace, additional to any part-time jobs they may have.



Trident Placement Dates 2025

| School | Dates |
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| Hautlieu | Monday 3rd to Friday 14th |
| School | February 2025 |





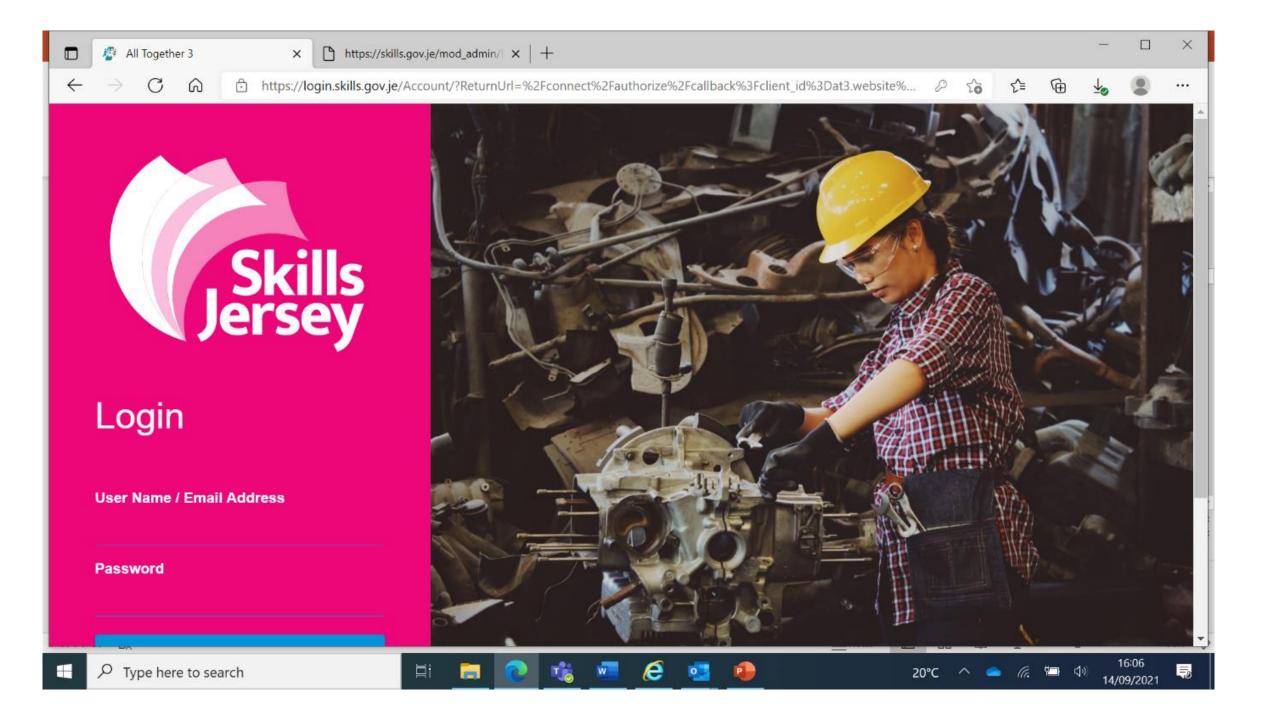
Two Options:

Choose From The Database



<u>OR</u>

Arrange Your Own Placement



What Opportunities Are Available?

On the website there are currently **512** active opportunities

- Finance/Legal*
- Hospitality
- Retail
- Construction

- Education
- Health
- IT/Digital*
- and more...





Career Related

- Linked to vocational studies post-16
- Talk about on application forms/personal statements
- Try it before you commit
- An insight into the industry, work environment, tasks and expectations

General Experience

- Transferrable skills
- Weekend/Summer employment
- Add to your CV
- Good preparation for another opportunity
- Discover your strengths and interests





Things to consider

- Location of placement can you get there?
- Hours of work Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm or flexible/shifts
- Do you want to be front or back office?
- Do you want a physical or office environment?
- Do you want to challenge yourself or continue to develop your current skill set?
- Be aware of the health and safety do's and don'ts
- Have realistic expectations of the tasks
- Oversubscribed choices
- 'Last' choice
- Family Members and previous Primary School

Own Placement

Company not already in the Trident scheme



Great way to guarantee the placement you want

You can't work with a Sole
Trader

Can be organised in the UK

Trident will visit all New Employers

Application Process

Select six choices, if you are organising an own placement, you need to complete the six choices from the database <u>as well</u>.

Print your form

Including contact information (telephone numbers) and double check your address is correct.

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Input all your
GCSE/Level 2 subjects
you are studying and
ask your subject
teachers to provide you
with a three-grade
range.

Use the **template** to list your choices in preference order and write your personal statement. **Print** this off and attach to your main form.

Your parent/guardian needs to approve your choices and complete the medical/health declaration and sign the form.

Hand your form in to school by the deadline

Writing your Personal Statement

Using the template personal statement document, you need to complete:

- Your placements in order of preference
- Why you have chosen those opportunities
- What skills are you hoping to develop or can already bring to the placement
- Do you have any relevant subjects, interests or hobbies

Final Checks:

- That any handwriting is legible
- A parent/guardian has signed the form signature & circled the relevant health box
- Your form must be handed in before the deadline





Please answer the three questions below, in as much detail as you can.

Trident Perso

| Name: | |
|---------|--|
| School: | |

Please list your Trident choices in order of pr opportunity title as some employers have me

| Trident Choice 1: | |
|-------------------|--|
| Trident Choice 2: | |
| Trident Choice 3: | |
| Trident Choice 4: | |
| Trident Choice 5: | |
| Trident Choice 6: | |

Why have you made these choices?

What is it about these placements that interest you, do they relate to any future career ideas? Etc.

What skills are you hoping to develop or that you can already bring to the placement?

Think about transferable skills such as teamwork, communication, customer service, problem solving etc. If you are discussing skills you have already developed, ensure you EVIDENCE where you gained these from e.g. teamwork – sports / communication – class projects.

Do you have any relevant subjects, interests or hobbies?

Do any of your subjects, extracurricular activities, outside interests and hobbies relate to the placements you have chosen? Even if you don't feel they are relevant, tell us a little bit about you and the interests you have.

Example Personal Statement – Assistant Chef

Why: I have chosen to apply for Assistant Chef opportunities, because of my passion for cooking and my desire to explore the culinary arts at a professional level. From a young age, I have been fascinated by the creativity involved in preparing dishes that not only taste great but look amazing!

Skills: I hope to learn new cooking techniques, and understand the importance of a kitchen organisation, efficiency and hygiene. Additionally, I am keen to learn about working in a fast-paced environment. These are all skills that I believe are vital for any aspiring chef.

Subjects/Hobbies: Cooking is one of my favourite hobbies, and I often spend my free time exploring new recipes and techniques. My favourite dish to create at home is a chilli con carne I also enjoy learning about different cuisines and the cultural significance of food.

Example Personal Statement – Nursery Assistant

Why: I have chosen placements as a Nursery Assistant because of my genuine love for working with young children and my interest in early childhood development. I am drawn to this field because I believe that the early years of a child's life are incredibly important, and I am eager to be part of a team that helps nurture and support children during this critical stage. This opportunity will allow me to gain hands-on experience in a setting where I can make a positive impact on children's growth and learning.

Skills: I bring to this placement a natural ability to connect with children and a strong sense of patience and empathy. I am attentive, caring, and have a creative approach to engaging children in activities. My organisational skills, reliability, and positive attitude will also be valuable. I have gained these skills from previous babysitting of young family members and volunteering at a Youth Club during the summer holidays.

Subjects/Hobbies: I currently study Child Development as a GCSE and enjoy learning about different educational approaches. Additionally, I have a personal interest in arts and crafts, which I believe can be a great way to engage children in creative and developmental activities. These interests, along with my passion for working with children, make me excited about the opportunity to gain practical experience as a Nursery Assistant.

Student Application Deadline

| Placement Period | Deadline Date |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| January to March placements | Monday 21st October |
| June to July placements | Monday 18 th November |

Next Steps

Once you have completed your application and the Trident Team have received it, we then process and allocate you to a choice. We will send an employer a request to see if they can accommodate you for your Trident placement. Below are the possible outcomes of this;

| RESLECTION | EARLY INTERVIEW | THREE WEEKS |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| Unfortunately, sometimes Employers | Some Employers on the rare occasion | If you do not hear from us after you |
| will say no to a placement request | ask for an early interview. | have applied, you will receive your |
| due to the time period, staffing | | confirmed placement information |
| shortage etc. | This may be due to their internal | THREE WEEKS prior to the placement |
| | processes, e.g. security requirements, | date commencing. |
| If this is the case, we will send | IT setup etc. | |
| another request to another employer | | You will then need to organise your |
| for you. | If this is required, we will | pre-placement visit. |
| | communicate this to you as soon as | |
| However, if all your choices are taken, | possible via email and let your Trident | We will be back in for an assembly |
| we may ask you to <u>reselect</u> . If this is | Coordinator know. | during this time to help support you |
| the case, we will communicate this to | | during this process. |
| you as soon as possible via email and | | |
| let your Trident Coordinator know. | | |



If you need any help speak to your Trident Co-ordinator at school or contact us at Skills Jersey

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Good luck making your selections or arranging your Own Placement









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