



Project SEARCH

What is it?

Project SEARCH is a one year internship for people, aged between 16-24 years, with disabilities or additional support needs whose goal is to gain competitive employment.

The project allows interns total immersion within the workplace whereby they participate in three workplace rotation to explore a variety of job and career paths. Individuals achieve specific transferable work skills necessary for progression into paid employment

A partnership between DG First, Dumfries and Galloway College and Employability Skills allows students to gain the skills they require for employment and have the opportunity to work towards achieving the Dumfries and Galloway Employability Award.

What does Project SEARCH involve?

Project SEARCH brings together education, training and work skills in a genuine working environment.

Students also benefit by gaining increased independence, confidence and self-esteem, and participate in career exploration, work interviews and employment skills, increasing their overall level of ability for job seeking and the likelihood of finding and keeping a permanent position.



Features

- Participate in a variety of internships in a local service
- Acquire competitive, transferable and marketable job skills
- Develop interpersonal and social skills
- Develop links to support agencies
- Receive work-based individual instruction, coaching, support and feedback
- A seamless approach to transition that develops vital life skills

Helping interns realise their potential

Charlotte age 20 "I liked Project Search because it has given me better skills to find a job and good experience in working. The staff helped me to look for jobs and they were very helpful when I needed them."

Euan age 17 "Project Search was able to help me get experience in logistics and also get my forklift licence. It will help me get a job and I really enjoyed it and also allowed me to meet new people."

Matt age 24 "Project Search has taught me lots of skills and has given me some qualifications to help me find a decent paid job. I like that the course gave young people a chance to gain experience in a working environment."

Where can I find more information?

Please see contact details below.

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