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FOOD AND BEVER TEAM MEMBER

LEVEL 2

Overview

This apprenticeship program has been designed for individuals carrying out a range of general and specialist roles within hospitality businesses, including bars, cafes, conference centres, restaurants and hotels.

Role profile

This occupation is found in a large range of sectors across the hospitality industry, one of the most diverse industries globally. Employers range from small to large. Food and Beverage team members work in a range of establishments including restaurants, cafes, counter service, licensed premises, casinos, and coffee shops. The broad purpose of the occupation is to assemble and serve a range of food and beverages to customers, ensuring a seamless and quality customer experience. General duties include making beverages such as cocktails, coffees and other drinks, serving food and beverages, managing bookings, greeting and serving customers, promoting items, managing groups of customers, taking payments and resolving any issues or complaints.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

OBSERVATION WITH QUESTIONS

2 hour observation with questions in the workplace.

INTERVIEW
UNDERPINNED BY
A PORTFOLIO OF
EVIDENCE.

12 month practical learning period £6k government capping band



Overview

This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals in hotels, inns, holiday parks, B&Bs, restaurants or pubs with rooms, and other hospitality accommodation businesses offering accommodation to paying guests. Hospitality Accommodation Team Member is a multi-skilled occupation, working across front of house roles in dining and bar services, reception and housekeeping.

Role profile

A Hospitality Accommodation Team Member delivers a range of guest focused services including dining and bar, reception, and housekeeping. Hospitality Accommodation team members move between departments gaining broad based knowledge, skills and experience in the typical operations of hotels, holiday parks and other hospitality businesses offering accommodation to paying guests. Hospitality Accommodation Team Members are responsible for the smooth operation of the business, working or sharing information cross-departmentally in order to deliver all the services that make up the guest experience.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction

OBSERVATION WITH QUESTIONS

2 hour observation with questions in the workplace.

INTERVIEW
UNDERPINNED BY
A PORTFOLIO OF
EVIDENCE.

FACILITIES SERVICES OPERATIVE



LEVEL 2

Overview

This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals who are responsible for providing facilities services support to customers and facilities management departments.

Role profile

Facilities Services Operative is a broad description of someone who provides facilities services support to customers and facilities management departments. This may include services such as security and supporting hard facilities management functions. This role could be found working in a range of environments e.g. in an office and/or on-site, for example, in residential developments and commercial properties, hospitals, schools or retail centres and industrial locations.

Mandatory qualification: level 2 certificate in facilities services principles.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in all three assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or merit.

ON-DEMAND TEST

40 minute multiple choice test.

PRACTICAL OBSERVATION

2 hour workplace observation with questions.

PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION

60 minute discussion underpinned by a portfolio.

RETAILER

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LEVEL 2

Overview



This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals who help customers buy products or services from retail organisations such as department stores, garden centres, high street chains, supermarkets and online and mail order businesses.

Role profile

This occupation is found in organisations of all sizes within the retail and tourism sector such as food, fashion, furniture, and automotive. Retail outlets range from traditional high street shops to larger organisations such as supermarkets and department stores. It is found in multi-national employers, small independent employers, and employers who trade through a variety of channels for example face to face, telephone, on-line and mail order retail.

The broad purpose of the occupation is to advise on and sell products and services in a customer-centric retail environment. This includes creating an accessible and well-presented environment.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or distinction.

OBSERVATION
WITH QUESTIONS
45-minute
presentation

INTERVIEW
UNDERPINNED
BY A PORTFOLIO

PASTRY CHEF

LEVEL 3

Overview

The broad purpose of the occupation is to plan, prepare and produce complex, refined patisserie in a variety of establishments. Pastry Chefs will plan, prepare, cook and finish advanced patisserie, using a range of refined techniques, tools and specialist equipment.

Role profile

All Pastry Chefs will demonstrate expertise in a range of pastry activities producing a wide range of refined products and will be required to have excellent skills in following recipes, attention to detail, and knowledge of food production methods. In their daily work, a pastry chef interacts with internal customers, such as staff from across the wider organisation, other chefs, pastry chefs, bakers, junior members of the kitchen and people from other teams and functions.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in all three assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or distinction.

SIMULATED
PRACTICAL
ASSESSMENT WITH
QUESTIONS

MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST

PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION

90 minute structured meeting underpinned by a portfolio of evidence.

SENIOR PRODUCTION CHEF

LEVEL 3

Overview

This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals working within a kitchen environment who are looking to develop knowledge and skills including supervising and managing teams, developing menus and recipes, and ensuring the standardisation of dish provision.

Role profile

Senior production chefs may lead a brigade team or may support the head chef in larger establishments. They supervise production chef teams in a variety of kitchen environments, for example; schools, hospitals, the Armed Forces, care homes and high street casual dining or pub kitchens. Senior production chefs have accountability for the day-to-day running of the kitchen service, producing, monitoring and maintaining consistent food standards, legislative requirements and quality across all areas and during all stages of production and supply.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in all three assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or distinction.

ON-DEMAND TEST 90 minute multiple-

choice test.

PRACTICAL
OBSERVATION
4 hour workplace
observation.

PROFESSIONAL
DISCUSSION
60 minute
structured
meeting.

HOSPITALITY SUPERVISOR

LEVEL 3

Overview



This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals who are responsible for supervising staff and activities within hospitality businesses including bars, cafes, conference centres, restaurants, and hotels. Apprentices cover the core set of supervisor skills and knowledge that are the same regardless of the setting.

Role profile

Hospitality supervisors provide vital support to management teams and are capable of independently supervising hospitality services and running shifts. They typically work under pressure, delivering fantastic customer service, and motivating a team is essential to their role. The majority of supervisors' skills and knowledge are the same, but supervisors may specialise in specific functions or work across a variety of functions, which reflects the multi-functional nature of the industry.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in all four assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or distinction.

ON DEMAND TEST

2 hour multiplechoice test.

PRACTICAL OBSERVATION

4 hour workplace observation.

BUSINESS PROJECT

Improvement project.

PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION

90 minute structured meeting.

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT SUPERVISOR



LEVEL 3

Overview

This apprenticeship standard is designed for individuals who are responsible for managing the working environment for an organisation's employees and services within industrial and commercial buildings.

Role profile

The apprenticeship prepares an individual for managing a facilities management service, or a group of services, focusing on both hard and soft management. All apprentices will be required to supervise others; to understand the contractual requirements and service delivery targets between their employing organisation and the client/customer in order to achieve service targets. The apprentice will have to provide customer service skills and be proactive in finding solutions to problems.

End Point Assessment

The result from each assessment method is combined to decide the overall apprenticeship grade.

Successful apprentices will gain a pass or distinction.

PROJECT REPORT

presentation with questions and answers 45 minutes.

PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION

Underpinned by a portfolio of evidence.

MULTI-CHANNEL MARKETER

LEVEL 3

Overview



The broad purpose of the occupation is to support customer-focused marketing activities that drive the demand for a product or service through awareness raising and/or perception building to generate results for the bottom line. As part of the marketing team, multi-channel marketers will contribute to the implementation of the marketing strategy and plans. They will be responsible for delivering day-to-day marketing activities across a multitude of platforms, channels, and systems that are essential to the marketing function and activities of the company.

Role profile

In their daily work, multi-channel marketers will interact with a wide range of internal stakeholders and also external stakeholders such as clients/customers and suppliers. Multi-channel marketers will define, design, build, and implement campaigns across a variety of platforms to drive customer engagement and retention.

An employee in this occupation will be responsible for coordinating and delivering specific marketing activities such as marketing content creation, background market, and customer research, monitoring campaign analytics and collecting data, using relevant marketing software/systems, maintaining marketing administration activities such as managing the supply of marketing literature, tracking marketing expenditure, supporting the procurement of, and overseeing the delivery of work by external and internal marketing suppliers.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

WRITTEN PROJECT
REPORT
with presentation

and questioning.

INTERVIEW
underpinned by a
portfolio of
evidence.

15 month practical learning period £11k government capping band

CONTENT CREATOR

LEVEL 3

Overview



This occupation is found in employers across all sectors. It is a role that can be found in both creative and non-creative industries. This can be in any business creating content to engage with its audience. The broad purpose of the occupation is to develop and create written and audio-visual content that can be used across a variety of platforms and media. This may include social media, broadcast, or in print.

Role profile

A content creator works to a brief. They research, prepare, and develop the messaging to maximise audience engagement. They capture the strategy and objectives of the brand and the needs of the customer, client, or business. In their daily work, an employee in this occupation interacts with a wide range of internal and external stakeholders throughout the end-to-end content creation process. Typically, they are likely to interact with clients, marketing and digital teams, production teams, budget holders, contributors, artists, and end users. An employee in this occupation will be responsible for delivering high-quality content on time and on a budget that meets the brief.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

PROJECT OR
CAMPAIGN
EVALUATION
REPORT
presentation of
additional/new
content and
questions.

60 MINUTE
PROFESSIONAL
DISCUSSION
underpinned by a
portfolio of
evidence.

15 month practical learning period £10k government capping band

EVENT ASSISTANT

LEVEL 3

Overview



This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals who are working in an events company or events department in an organisation. The role would usually provide support to a number of Event Planners or Project Managers by carrying out a diverse range of tasks necessary to plan, organise and deliver an event: for example, searching for the right location and venue for the event; working with the design team on the look and feel of the event; or organising logistics like transportation and catering.

Role profile

Events cover a broad range of activities as well as sizes, from small numbers of attendees through to thousands. Companies use events to bring together different groups of people, which can include employees attending a sales conference; to customers or suppliers attending the launch of a new product; to shareholders gathering at a conference designed to attract new investors.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in all three assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

PROJECT
Work based project.

PORTFOLIO OF EVIDENCE
project.

PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION
45 minute structured meeting.

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT PRACTITIONER



LEVEL 3

Overview

This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals who are typically involved with identifying learning/training needs, designing/sourcing training and learning solutions, delivering and evaluating training, and working with stakeholder/business area managers.

Role profile

The role focus is often on the practical delivery of training. A learning and development practitioner will typically have expertise and competence in their specific field whether it be technical, vocational, or behavioural (e.g. use of software, food preparation, working in teams). They link the learning within their area of responsibility to business objectives and performance, understanding the learning cycle and working by it.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in all three assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

PRESENTATION

45 minute learning journal focused presentation followed by questions.

WORK BASED PROJECT WITH PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION

60 minute professional discussion.

OUTDOOR ACTIONSTRUCTOR

LEVEL 3

Overview

This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals who supervise and guide children and adults in activities and pastimes such as canoeing, sailing, climbing, surfing, cycling, hill walking, archery, bush craft, rock pooling, geology, plant identification, habitat or wildlife walks at an introductory level.

Role profile

The main responsibility of an Outdoor Activity Instructor is to run a safe and enjoyable activity session. They will:

Prepare for the session - gather information about the participants and resources for the activity.

Deliver the session — brief participants, maintain safety and provide on-going instruction and encouragement.

Meet session outcome – support participants to achieve a set outcome.

Close the session – hand-over participants, and return resources and equipment.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or distinction.

PRACTICAL TEST
AND
OBSERVATION

Planned practical training session.

PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION

45 minute structured meeting supported by a portfolio of evidence.

SAFEGUARDING SUPPORT OFFICE

LEVEL 3

Overview

This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals working across the public, private, and voluntary sector to support statutory safeguarding responsibilities and demonstrate how organisations work to protect an individual's health, wellbeing and human rights.

Role profile

Safeguarding support officers will be skilled in recognising and responding to emerging safeguarding needs, initiating and advocating early intervention when a problem first arises. A safeguarding support officer will be the first point of contact when there is a safeguarding concern, conducting initial risk assessments, triaging, and signposting to the most appropriate person within their organisation or external agency if appropriate. The safeguarding support officer will maintain accurate and up to date documentation of any decisions and advice given, ensuring information is accurately recorded and that documentation is safely stored and shared appropriately, proportionately and securely according to national and organisational policy. Safeguarding support officers will also interact externally with investigative statutory agencies. A safeguarding support officer will report into the designated lead for safeguarding within their organisation.

A satisfactory enhanced DBS check will be an entry requirement for the programme.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

PRESENTATION WITH QUESTIONS

45 minute presentation and questioning.

PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION

60 minute structured meeting supported by a portfolio of evidence.

RECRUITER

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LEVEL 3

Overview

This occupation is found in organisations that come from the public, private and third sectors. Typically, a recruiter works in consultancies, agencies, in-house for employers, embedded recruiters, or as an outsourced provider. Manage resourcing activities that drive the recruitment of candidates and matching them to temporary, fixed term, or permanent job positions within an organisation. They manage the end-to-end recruitment process which typically involves planning, identifying, attracting, assessing, shortlisting, and onboarding candidates to fulfil the current and future requirements of the organisation.

Role profile

The purpose of the occupation is to manage resourcing activities that drive the recruitment of candidates and matching them to temporary, fixed term, or permanent job positions within an organisation. Their role is to manage the end-to-end recruitment process which typically involves planning, identifying, attracting, assessing, shortlisting, and onboarding candidates to fulfil the current and future requirements of the business brief.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or distinction.

PRESENTATION
WITH QUESTIONS

PROFESSIONAL
DISCUSSION
Underpinned by
a portfolio of
evidence

HR SUPPORT

LEVEL 3

Overview



This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals typically either working in a medium to large organisation as part of the HR function delivering front line support to managers and employees, or are a HR Manager in a small organisation.

Role profile

Your work is likely to include handling day to day queries and providing HR advice; working on a range of HR processes, ranging from transactional to relatively complex, from recruitment through to retirement; using HR systems to keep records; providing relevant HR information to the business; working with the business on HR changes. They will typically be taking ownership for providing advice to managers on a wide range of HR issues using company policy and current law, giving guidance that is compliant and where errors could expose the organisation to employment tribunals or legal risk. In a larger organisation they may also have responsibility for managing a small team — this aspect is outside the scope of this apprenticeship and will need to be covered separately by the employer.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or a distinction.

PROJECTReal life project.

PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION

60 minute
structured
meeting
supported by a
portfolio of
evidence.

18 month practical learning period £4.5k government capping band

HOSPITALITY MANAGER

LEVEL 4

Overview

This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals working across organisations that focus on ensuring excellent customer experience. Hospitality managers work across a huge variety of organisations including bars, restaurants, cafés, conference centres, banqueting venues, hotels, and contract caterers.

Role profile

Hospitality managers generally specialise in a particular area, however, their core knowledge, skills, and behaviours are aligned. Hospitality managers have a high level of responsibility and are accountable for fulfilling the business vision and objectives which requires excellent business, people, and customer relation skills. Individuals in this role are highly motivated team leaders that combine a talent for management and specific industry skills and thrive on the customer-facing nature of the role.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in all three assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass or distinction.

ON DEMAND
TEST
90 minute multiplechoice test.

BUSINESS PROJECTImprovement project.

PROFESSIONAL
DISCUSSION
90 minute
structured
meeting.

MARKETING EXECUTIVE

LEVEL 4

Overview



This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals working across businesses providing the insight to develop and deliver new products and services to meet ever-changing customer needs. It is the process of researching, developing, promoting and distributing, products or services through effective channels to engage with a range of target audiences. Occupations in marketing span most industries and sectors and the roles can sit within a specific company/agency that provides marketing deliverables and advice to external clients, or within an internal marketing team, delivering marketing activities to drive that business.

Role profile

A Marketing Executive will help shape, support and deliver marketing plans, working in conjunction with the Marketing Manager who will define the overall marketing strategy. A highly audience focused role which requires creativity, communication and project management skills - these individuals are responsible for planning, executing and analysing tactical and targeted marketing activity. Prior experience in a marketing role is required as this is a strategic role, involving independent work and decision making.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in all three assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

ON DEMAND
TEST
90 minute multiplechoice test.

SHOWCASE
Project Report,
Presentation and
Q&A.

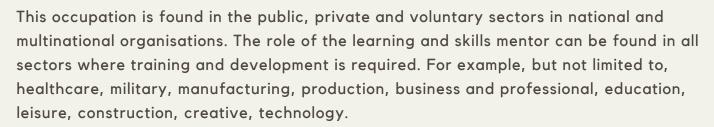
PROJECT

PROFESSIONAL
DISCUSSION
50 minute
structured
meeting.

LEARNING & SKILLS MENTOR

LEVEL 4

Overview



Role profile

The purpose of the learning and skills mentor occupation is to support individuals and groups with their learning and development towards agreed goals. They will do this by working within ethical and legal frameworks to ensure a high standard of mentoring practice. They will work collaboratively with stakeholders to inclusively meet the individual needs of the mentee. They will be committed to their own professional development and reflective practice as a mentor and within their sector.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

WORK BASED
OBSERVATION
With Questions

PROFESSIONAL
DISCUSSION
Underpinned by
a portfolio of
evidence

ASSOSIATE PROJECT MANA

LEVEL 4

Overview

This occupation is found in small, medium, and large organisations within the public, private and third sectors. Associate project managers work in all sectors such as government, retail, food and drink, infrastructure, education, charities, research, and banking. The working environment can vary from being in an office, on site, at client, and contactor's locations and working remotely.

Role profile

Associate project managers are key to enabling organisations meet their business goals by successful project delivery. Projects can be large or small and deliver a required product that either creates something new or improves efficiency and effectiveness, such as designing and constructing a new motorway or implementing a new IT system. Projects are diverse in nature and could involve anything from banking through to construction. Many organisations deliver their own projects, using in-house associate project managers to work on scope they might be already familiar with. Some associate project manager's work on a contract basis or for specialist organisations that deliver outsourced project work on behalf of clients.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment methods. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

Written project report with presentation and questioning PROFESSIONAL
DISCUSSION
Underpinned by
a portfolio of
evidence

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT BUSII PARTNER

LEVEL 5

Overview

This apprenticeship programme has been designed for individuals who will be accountable for ensuring learning and development contribute to, and influence, improved performance in the workplace at an individual, team and organisation level.

Role profile

The role can be a generalist learning and development or more specialist, where the focus and in-depth expertise is in a specific area such as organisation development, digital and blended learning, resourcing, or talent management. Whichever the area of focus, the role requires a good grounding across all areas of learning and development and is business and future-focused. L&D consultant business partners are agents for change, influencing key stakeholders, and making decisions and recommendations on what the business can or should do in a learning and development context.

End Point Assessment

It is essential to gain the minimum marks in both assessment modes. Successful apprentices will gain a pass, merit or distinction.

WORK BASED PROJECT WITH PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSION PRESENTATION
AND Q&A
60 minute
structured
meeting.

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