

CASE STUDY

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Accountancy Apprenticeship – AAT with progression to CIMA, ASC Renewables LTD

Why did you choose an Apprenticeship?

Experience is vital in the accounting industry, an Apprenticeship for me seemed like the best way to get into the sector where I wanted to work. My Apprenticeship was funded by the government and further qualifications can be funded by the employer if they are willing to do so.

How do you balance work with studying?

The first year is definitely the toughest but it depends what route you take. If you are lucky enough to be given time out of work to attend day classes then it is no different than previous studies like college.

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How has Kaplan helped you?

A personal reviewer/mentor is provided throughout the Apprenticeship. Mine set me goals and kept me on track throughout the

AAT qualification for me to finish it in the most efficient way. He helped me to gain all of the skills I needed and helped my employer to understand the value in an apprentice.

Kaplan found the best job to fit what I was looking for, I wanted to study AAT followed by CIMA and work in industry. They found me a job at ASC Renewables LTD, a start-up company which was the ideal fit.



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What would be your advice for anyone considering an Apprenticeship?

Attend the Kaplan CV Service. I went on a two day course with Kaplan free

of charge where we were helped by an Apprenticeship coordinator to write our CVs or tidy them up if we already had one. We were also helped to write a covering letter which needed to include the key information for an employer. This letter was vital as it needed to be eye catching in order for you CV to be looked into.



Why choose an Accountancy Apprenticeship?

Accountancy is a highly-skilled profession where you can work in a variety of roles and industries.

More than maths, it's perfect for people who are organised and have an eye for detail.

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