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# TIMELINE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

(FIRST YEAR-  
UNDERGRADUATE)



Please note that the timeline provided below is designed to help you maximize your chances of meeting a wide range of application deadlines. However, we understand that each student's journey is unique, and you may choose to complete activities earlier or later than suggested, based on your individual circumstances.

There may be words below that you aren't yet familiar with. You can find out their meanings in our list of ['common vocabulary for the UK job market'](#).

Need someone to discuss your plans with? The Careers Service provides various bookable appointments and drop-in sessions throughout the year to help with your career planning, concerns, and questions. Visit our [Support page](#) for a full overview of our services.

<p><b>September</b></p> <p><b>October</b></p> <p><b>November</b></p>	<p>UK employers place great importance on strong English language skills. Enhance yours by immersing yourself in the English Language:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Sign up to a local library</a> to borrow fiction and non-fiction books</li> <li>• Listen to English language music and podcasts</li> <li>• Watch English language TV</li> <li>• <a href="#">Join a society or club</a></li> <li>• Participate in a <a href="#">volunteering event</a></li> <li>• Familiarize yourself with the <a href="#">most used vocabulary in the UK job market</a></li> <li>• To successfully apply for opportunities to build up your experience, you will need an effective CV (resume). Complete the <a href="#">"CV essentials"</a> pathway (via CareerConnect)</li> <li>• If relevant to sectors or companies that interest you: <a href="#">Apply to spring weeks and insight days</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Find a part-time job (UK work experience) or volunteering</a></li> <li>• If relevant to sectors or companies that interest you: <a href="#">Apply to spring weeks and insight days</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>January</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If relevant to sectors or companies that interest you: <a href="#">Apply to spring weeks and insight days</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>February</b></p> <p><b>March</b></p> <p><b>April</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete the <a href="#">"Interview Success"</a> pathway (via CareerConnect)</li> <li>• Networking is essential - it helps you meet people in your career areas of interest and find out valuable information. See our <a href="#">tips for using LinkedIn</a></li> <li>• Try <a href="#">virtual work experience</a> to boost your CV and explore different career areas from home.</li> <li>• If you didn't secure an internship check this: <a href="#">How to find an internship or work experience</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>May</b></p> <p><b>June</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assess your skills level using the <a href="#">Skills Audit (via CareerConnect)</a></li> <li>• Not sure what you want to do? These tips will help you to consider which career areas might be right for you: <a href="#">I don't know what I want to do</a></li> </ul>