THE SCHOOL SPORT APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME

QUALIFY AND KICK-START YOUR CAREER IN SPORTS COACHING AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION.

87% of Apprentices said the process of getting onto an Apprenticeship was 'Easy'.

Δ Department of Business Schools - Apprentice Evaluation Survey 2013
THE SCHOOL SPORT APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME EXPLAINED

Coaching is a great way to share your passion for sport whilst inspiring others to be active, learn new skills and achieve their sporting goals. It is also a very rewarding career, both personally and professionally.

The School Sport Apprenticeship programme has been designed specifically to give those wanting a career in coaching and physical education the skills, knowledge and qualifications to help make it happen.

KEY BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Earn a salary
- Get paid holidays
- On-the-job training and study
- Working alongside experienced staff
- Learn job-specific skills
- Gain qualifications

The School Sport Apprenticeship programme offers an Intermediate and Advanced Level Apprenticeship.

“Why become an Apprentice?”

Research shows that apprentices earn, on average, over £100,000 more throughout their lifetime than other employees.

Other great reasons to become an apprentice include:

- Improve your skills & knowledge
- Be able to assist and lead in a wide range of school sport & PE activities
- Open up opportunities for new and better jobs
- Progress to advanced and higher apprenticeship programmes plus keeping options open for Higher Education entry.

*The School Sport Apprenticeship typically takes 12 months to complete. However, this may vary depending on your prior skills and the requirements from your employer.*
THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SPORT APPRENTICESHIP
This Intermediate Apprenticeship has been designed for those currently employed by, or looking to be employed by, coaching organisations delivering PE and school sport in infant, junior and primary schools, but who are not yet qualified.

It is most suited to young adults aged 16-23 years old and lead to employment as a:

- PE Department Assistant
- Assistant Sports Manager
- Community Sports Coach
- Activity Leader

1. **COMPETENCY**: Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Activity Leadership (QCF).
3. **EMPLOYER RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES**: Award in Employment Awareness in Active Leisure & Learning (QCF).
4. **FUNCTIONAL SKILLS**: Where you do not already possess the desired Maths and English qualifications, you will complete the Functional Skills qualifications at Level 1.

THE ADVANCED SCHOOL SPORT APPRENTICESHIP
If you have completed the Intermediate School Sport Apprenticeship or have gained activity leadership or coaching qualifications at Level 2, then the Advanced School Sport Apprenticeship is the ideal next step.

Designed for those looking to progress their career in Children’s Physical Activity and School Sport delivery and development in a range of environments including the community and schools, this Apprenticeship can help you achieve success in the following types of roles:

- Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA)
- Tutor with a sports coaching company
- Physical education and school sport professional
- Sports Development Officer
- Head Sports Coach
- Sports Coach, Volunteer or Leader
- Children’s Activity Professional

1. **COMPETENCY & KNOWLEDGE (Combined)**: Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Supporting the Delivery of Physical Education and School Sport (QCF).
2. **EMPLOYER RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES**: Level 3 Award in Employment Awareness in Active Leisure and Learning (QCF).
3. **FUNCTIONAL SKILLS**: Where you do not already possess the desired Maths and English qualifications, you will complete the Functional Skills qualifications at Level 2.

To successfully complete your chosen Apprenticeship, and achieve the qualifications listed, you will need to complete, or demonstrate prior learning in, all components of the framework. This will require a couple of hours of your time each week, for the duration of your chosen Apprenticeship programme.
FIVE STEPS TO SUCCESS
Whether you take up the Intermediate or Advanced programme, or progress from the Intermediate to the Advanced, the support, guidance and approach to helping you achieve success with SCL has five key steps:

1. **Find out if the programme is right for you.** Arrange a short meeting with your SCL Assessor, or attend a presentation arranged by your employer, to understand what’s involved, if you are eligible and to ask any questions you may have.

2. **Getting started.** Your first session with your SCL Assessor will involve taking down some details about you and providing you with an introduction to the programme. Once this has been completed we can get you started!

3. **Regular visits and on-going assessment.** Your SCL Assessor will visit you in your workplace at regular intervals throughout the programme in order to assess how you are doing. At each visit they will sign-off work you’ve done and skills you have demonstrated competently and then outline the next activities for you to complete. Your SCL Assessor will track your progress as you go.

4. **Completing an Apprenticeship.** SCL has a 92% completion success rate for its apprentices – which is consistently higher than the national average – so we can guarantee you are in good hands. But we can’t achieve these success rates without the dedication and commitment of our Apprentices. So give your Apprenticeship programme the time and effort it requires and we will be with you every step of the way to help you achieve your qualifications.

5. **What’s next?** Once you have completed your Apprenticeship programme, your SCL Assessor will take time out to discuss with you what you could do next and offer you advice and guidance on the options available.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?
If you meet the following criteria, then you are eligible to apply for the School Sport Apprenticeship programme:

- Aged between 16-23 years old
- Working a minimum of 16 hours** a week (preferably 30 hours) in a sports coaching company providing services to primary schools or in a leisure centre, sports or health club, and looking to develop a career in sports coaching
- Would like to gain nationally-recognised qualifications
- Living in England and not in full-time education
- Not receiving any other funded training
- Not already have a degree or HND

**In general, apprentices are required to work no less than 16 hours a week and preferably, 30 hours a week. Where the number of hours worked is less than 30 hours, the length of the Apprenticeship programme is also extended.

YOUR SCL ASSESSOR
All SCL Assessors are experienced sports coaches and/or PE teachers who have first-hand knowledge of what it is like to work in the field of school sport. Throughout your Apprenticeship they will:

- Offer you the benefit of their experience
- Support and mentor you
- Answer any questions you may have

WHY TRAIN WITH SCL?
SCL is a government-approved training provider specialising in the delivery of education through sport.

Plus...

- Experts in the field of school sport & PE delivery with over 14 years’ experience
- Has a 92% completion success rate for Apprentices – consistently higher than the national average
- Has a passion and a track record for developing careers in sports coaching and physical education

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