

Supported Internships 2025-2026

Gateway College

DFN Project Search based at
Leicester University Hospitals



University Hospitals of Leicester
NHS Trust

What is it?



- Supported Internship programme of study are based at a host employers' premises.
- This is a one- year course.
- Our course is a partnership between DFN Project Search, Leicester City Council, University Hospitals Leicester Glenfield Hospital and Gateway College
- Each student will undertake 3 different work placements throughout the course.
- Each placement lasts for 10 -12 weeks. Students are supported via a job coach.

Do I attend College?

The students have 1 day a week at college on a Monday which will cover the following:

- Health and safety
- Interview skills
- CV Writing
- Dress to Impress
- Communication skills
- Healthy lifestyles
- Travel training
- HELM Training, Moving and handling and food hygiene
- Develop wider Employability skills

What are the intern placements?

Patient Catering: Assistant

Imaging Transport Team: Assistant

Administration: Various departments

Secret Garden café: Retail Assistant

Porter

Restaurant: Retail Assistant

Domestics: Assistant

Housekeeping: Assistant

Physiotherapy: Assistant

Medical Physics: Assistant

Entry requirements

- No formal qualifications are needed
- You must have an EHCP
- You must be willing to undertake travel training or be travel trained
- You must want to gain employment
- Potentially 18 years of age to work in NHS



Progression

- The course is not linked to a formal qualification.
- The aim of the course is that it will lead to paid employment.
- Last academic year 8 out of 10 students gained employment.

How do I apply?

- Complete PS16 application and Gateway application
- Refer to Kerry Reeve
- Complete Project Search Application form
- Attend Parent/Intern Interest event
- Attend Recruitment event
- Summer support to support travel training
- Tasters/Induction September to be ready to begin work!