Industrial Placement Year/Study Abroad Year
These year-long opportunities, offered on all our degree programmes, are highly valued by employers. An industrial placement will help give you the competitive edge and enhance your future employability, while studying abroad will enable you to discover a new culture, gain new perspectives on your subject.

Career networking events
This is your chance to meet employers one-to-one, find out about their industry and practise your networking skills. Events on offer in the Faculty include ‘Sports and Exercise Science Careers’, ‘Healthcare Careers’, ‘Healthcare Careers’ and ‘What can I do with a Genetics Degree’. The University as a whole also offers the chance to network with employers through general careers fairs, internship fairs and, for example, the ‘Careers Making a Difference’ fair for students who would like to work with ethical, non-for-profit or public sector organisations.

Undergraduate career seminars
We run a series of undergraduate career seminars at which various representatives from biological science and sports science roles will explain their organisations and their career journeys.

Leeds Network
Leeds Network is an online career networking tool where you can find out about career opportunities from Leeds alumni, read work profiles and gather personal tips on the skills and tactics needed to get into a profession. You will also be able to find out what Leeds graduates who studied the same course as you are doing now and contact those alumni with your questions about working in a particular job or organisation.

Industrial Advisory Board
The group of employers on our Industrial Advisory Board assist us in making our curriculum relevant to the employment sector and provide us with regular updates on changes in the industry.

Careers Centre
Our students make good use of the Careers Centre, which offers help with career planning, CV and cover letter writing and mock interviews, as well as many other activities. The Centre also offers weekly drop-in sessions in the Faculty. Lab-based and educational internships are available through the faculty and internships, many exclusively for University of Leeds students, are also advertised through the Careers Centre.

Skills development
The University of Leeds provides a huge range of opportunities for you to develop your skills, for example, by getting involved in the organising Leeds University LUU clubs and societies, by becoming a student rep or by taking up many of the volunteering opportunities on offer through the union and the universities volunteering hub.

Faculty careers events
This year we are holding a one-day careers event, available to all undergraduate students in the Faculty. There will be several presentations by alumni and speakers from the biological science industry, as well as workshops such as: ‘Interviews and assessment centres’ ‘Networking skills’ and ‘CVs and applications’.

Go online
You can read our student case studies and find out more about spending a year in industry or abroad on our website.

Go online www.fbs.leeds.ac.uk

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**Employability and Support**

As well as an excellent degree from an internationally recognised university, we’ll provide you with the right skills and support to reach your potential. Our support and guidance covers:

- Timetabled employability lectures, workshops and networking events
- Support with CV writing/application/mock interviews
- Monthly employability newsletter
- Weekly Careers Centre drop-ins
- Support with year-in-industry placements
- Information about internships, summer placements and volunteering opportunities
- Hosting employer events/workshops/guest speakers
- Alumni networking events
- Resources including placement brochures, careers literature, company information and work experience booklets
- Visits to national placement and graduate fairs

**Dedicated Employability team**
The Faculty’s Employability and Professional Development Officer, ensures that students are aware of events and opportunities to increase their employability. These are publicised through regular lectures and monthly employability newsletters, packed full of information and links to help you develop your career.

**Career module**
The Employment, Career Planning and Professional Development for Life Scientists module includes valuable features; for example, getting you up to strength on interview techniques and how to create a strong CV and covering letter. It will give you the crucial focus and time to consider your career direction. The module can boost confidence and has given students the know how to be successful with their future applications for placements, internships and postgraduate courses.

**Mentoring scheme**
We have over 70 mentors, which include Biological Science graduates that work in a wide range of roles. You will meet your mentor face to face and/or online. They will give you an insight into their career area, help you identify goals and career ideas and give you tips on applications and interviews.

“The University of Leeds has a brilliant support system to help students find what they want to do and achieve it after their graduate degree. The faculty of biological sciences has an employability officer whose sole responsibility is to help students have the best possible skills sets to get a job or further their studies after graduating.”

*James Murphy, BSc Biological Science (Industrial), placement at the University of Calgary in Canada.*

**iDecide**
This careers tool, only available to Leeds University students, enables you to consider which career areas appeal to you and then learn about those areas by watching videos of employees in that role talking in detail about their job.

The latest key information on courses can be found at [www.leeds.ac.uk/coursefinder](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/coursefinder).

Please check this website before making any decisions.

**Careers**

Typical job roles and careers our graduates have entered.

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**Biology programmes**
- Biology with Enterprise
- Ecology
- Environmental Biology
- Genetics
- Zoology

**Molecular and Cellular Biology programmes**
- Biochemistry
- Biological Sciences
- Biomedical Sciences
- (Biotechnology with Enterprise)
- Microbiology

**Biomedical programmes**
- Human Physiology
- Medical Sciences
- Neuroscience
- Pharmacology

**Sports Science programmes**
- Sport and Exercise Science
- Sports Science and Physiology

**MBiol, BSc, Four year Integrated Masters programmes**

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**Pharmacology**
- Biotechnology
- Forensic science
- Medical-related industries
- Clinical trials
- Hospital laboratories
- Public health
- Medical research institutes
- Medical science

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**Phd opportunities, research posts in academia and industry, a number of our BSc students also go onto Masters or PhD study.**