



Assured skills training programme

If you're a graduate with a 2:2 or above in any discipline, and unemployed, under-employed, or want to change career, the assured skills pre-employment training programme can help you. Academy-style training will help you get a job by giving you the skills that expanding companies want.

How it works

The assured skills programme offers pre-employment training to give you the skills needed to compete for new employment opportunities as they arise.

It works with global companies that have current job vacancies available and offers training specifically tailored to meet the skills needed for those jobs.

If you successfully complete an assured skills academy training programme, you will be offered a job interview with the recruiting company.

Current opportunities

The following training academies in Belfast and the North West are open for applications. No experience is needed.

Cloud Academy

Applications are open for a training academy in cloud technology with Deloitte. The academy will give you skills, knowledge and experience to:

- design and build new cloud products
- help companies and businesses use cloud technology

Apply online at [Deloitte Cloud Academy](#)(external link opens in a new window / tab) before 3 August. You also need to upload your CV and a copy of your degree certificate.

If you apply, you must be:

- available for interview between 20 and 24 August
- able to start the academy on 10 September

Training takes place in Greater Belfast. If you successfully finish the training, you'll be interviewed for a job.

FinTrU Financial Services Academy

If you're a graduate, or an experienced professional with at least a 2:2 in any degree discipline, and interested in a career in Financial Services, specialist training is now available.

The FinTrU Financial Services Academy offers five to six weeks' training in areas such as:

- compliance
- legal

- risk
- operations
- know your customer (KYC)
- consultancy

You will receive practical, real world training on:

- capital markets
- financial markets
- compliance
- organisational skills

Training will take place in the North West. If you successfully finish the training, you will be interviewed for a job.

How to apply

The selection process includes:

- an online application
- an aptitude test
- uploading a CV
- uploading proof of your qualifications
- interview/team exercise

For the academy in the North West, apply online at [FinTrU Financial Services Academy North West](#)(external link opens in a new window / tab) by 31 July.

Training and jobs on offer

Previous graduates who have taken part in academies have secured full-time jobs in diverse areas such as:

- data analytics
- human resources

- financial services
- legal services
- export sales and marketing
- software development
- software testing
- software engineering
- cyber security
- 2D animation
- game development

Your existing qualifications are important but, whatever your vocational area, the companies involved in the training programmes want employees with the drive and determination to succeed and a positive attitude to take on new challenges.

Allowances

When you're in a training academy, you:

- will receive a weekly training allowance of £150
- will be reimbursed weekly travel expenses
- may be eligible for child care allowance

Register your interest

To receive updates on new academy opportunities or to find out more about the assured skills training programme, contact the [Department for the Economy – Employer Skills Branch](#).

Privacy notice

To find out how your information will be managed, you can view the [privacy notice for Assured Skills](#)(external link opens in a new window / tab).

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