Welcome to Your GRADfutures Newsletter

Hi everyone, and welcome to our first fortnightly newsletter.

Everyone in the Careers and Graduate Futures team hopes you are all keeping safe and well.

GRADfutures is the **new** name for the Heriot-Watt Careers Portal - we hope you like it!

We would like to remind all our students that the Careers and Graduate Futures team is continuing to provide a service during the Coronavirus outbreak. In line with University and Government guidelines we’re doing this remotely for now.

We completely understand a lot of the uncertainty many of you are facing in this challenging time for everyone.

Despite these challenges, we're still here to support you, and will keep you up to date with these newsletters on how best to access careers support and information at this time.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** From now on, the Careers and Graduate Futures team will be sending careers information, job updates and event information **ONLY** through the GRADfutures platform.

To ensure that you continue to receive vital careers related information, please ensure that you have set your 'Email Preferences' on your Profile page to show 'You are currently receiving targeted information from the Careers And Graduate Futures Service'
**BOOK A CAREERS APPOINTMENT**
30 min appointments are available to book online. Appointments are done via Microsoft Teams.

**SEARCH FOR JOB VACANCIES**
There are currently over 500 vacancies being advertised on the GRADfutures job board! Log in to find out who is still recruiting!

Examples of current vacancies include:

- Graduate Quantity Surveyor
- Supply Chain Management
- Software Developer
- Student Chartered Accountant
- Global Quantum
- Kerry Food Group
- AMSI Consultancy
- Dixon Wilson

**BOOK AN ONLINE CV REVIEW**
Simply log in to GRADfutures, select Profile then MyCVs. Follow the instructions on how to upload and submit your CV for a professional review.

**ONLINE WEBINARS**
Keep up to date with what's going on by logging into any number of online information and training webinars being held by a wide range of organisation.

Upcoming Webinars:

- 20th April: FDM - Graduate Toolkit
- 22nd April: EY - Insight Into EY
- 23rd April: Teach First - How to Succeed in Our Application Process
- 23rd April: LockinChina - How Chinese students can maximise their graduate opportunities under COVID-19
WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH GRADUATE RECRUITMENT?

Despite the current Covid 19 situation, we are still hearing from lots of employers who are currently actively recruiting, and many organisations that are planning to go ahead with their recruitment graduate recruitment activities this year. Below are a few comments that have come from our recent discussions with our employer partners:

**EY:** "Many EY opportunities are still open and we're definitely looking for applicants. Business as normal for us"

**FDM:** "As a tech company we are thriving in these strange and uncertain times with lots of businesses coming to us to support their technical challenges, such as moving whole workforces to remote working, and developing longer term, secure systems to continue to deliver business as usual. This means that now, more than ever, we are actively recruiting final year students and recent graduates to our award winning FDM Graduate Programme"

**Teach First:** "Teach First Training Programme applications still open until the 30th of April. Our approach on how to do this has had to change and we are using as many digital channels as possible, however still business as usual."