



# CONNECTIONS

YC Careers News | April Edition

Last month, National Careers Week 2025 at Yeovil College was a success and we loved being able to highlight our Careers Hub commitment. Continuing the message on from NCW 2025, we believe that every day shapes your career, and so in this edition, we're discussing important updates, upcoming events, and a learner's T Level perspective.



## Yeovil College Honoured as Runner-Up for Innovator of the Year at Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Heroes Awards

Yeovil College is proud to announce that we have been recognised as the runner-up for the Innovator of the Year at the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Heroes Awards, supported by the Skills and Education Group.

This prestigious award celebrates organisations that have successfully implemented innovative networks or diversity programmes to support individuals in their professional, personal, or educational journeys. Their commitment to creating an inclusive environment has made a significant impact on the future development of those they serve.

Alex Clancy, Assistant Principal and Director of Employer Engagement, shared: *"We are incredibly grateful to one of our employers for nominating us, acknowledging our efforts in supporting individuals with learning disabilities in the local area, helping them integrate into work and education."*

*"As we continue to champion diversity and inclusion within our organization and the broader education sector, we remain dedicated to creating opportunities that change lives."*

## National Careers Week 2025 Reflection

National Careers Week 2025 occurred 3rd-8th March, and we celebrated as only Yeovil College does, with a full campus careers takeover:

- Daily drop-in sessions with the Careers, Work Placements and Employability Team, offering extra support and guidance.
- Employer and guest speaker visits from Battens Solicitors, Synergy Farm Health, Milstead Langdon and more.
- Exciting workshops for our Creative Industries learners from Aardman Animations and Into Film.
- AI showcase with Techosaurus.
- Progression and next steps with an Apprenticeship Information stand and a Yeovil College University Centre information stand.
- Careers and Employability sessions across our student community - understanding an Application Process and communication etiquette.
- Interesting and useful content about career journeys and opportunities across our social media channels, including TikTok. Make sure to catch up on our [top tips](#), [employer visits](#) and our [learners' dream careers!](#)



## A Level Transition Booklet

We have created an important A Level Transition booklet, summarising useful information from our A Level Transition evening and designed for Yeovil College A Level September 2025 starters. This includes our expectations, the two-year A Level pathway, a typical week, sample timetable, support, progression and more. To read our booklet, click [here](#).



## Achieving the Matrix Standard once again!

Yeovil College has achieved the Matrix Standard for the second year in a row, proving our commitment to top-notch careers information, advice, and guidance for students, businesses and apprentices!

Mark Bolton, CEO & Principal, said: *"This success highlights our strong partnerships with local businesses, higher education, and beyond. Our amazing careers team and the entire Team YC made this possible. Together, we're helping students launch fantastic careers with local businesses. Their success is our success!"*

## May Open Event

Our final open event of this academic year is taking place on Thursday 22nd May, 5:00-7:00pm. This event has been regularly attended by those finalising their choice for September, current Year 10 learners who are planning ahead, current Year 12 learners changing course and adult learners. Those interested in attending can register by clicking [here](#).



## Young Enterprise Showcase Final

The Young Enterprise Showcase Final is being held at Yeovil College on Thursday 1st May. Regional winners from across the county will join us to showcase their product and business conceptions in addition to our own learners. Good luck to all other school and college teams!

## New Student's Day

New Students' Day is approaching! On Wednesday 25th June, learners will be able to visit the Yeovil College campus, discover their curriculum's facilities, meet their tutor and officially enrol as a Yeovil College student. All applied learners will receive an email invitation in April with their official timings.



## T Levels – Shaping Future Careers!

Ben Wilson, a Level 3 T Level Engineering and Manufacturing student, has shared how his T Level qualification has inspired him:

"The T Level has benefitted me by equipping me with a good balance of theory knowledge in the field through my work experience placement at SFM Technology. I feel well prepared for when I leave Yeovil College and know what to expect in the world of work.

There has been a contrast to my learning in my work experience placement compared to at College which has been really nice as it has allowed me to learn different aspects of Engineering. I have had the opportunity to learn on different machines and speak to multiple people who are working in the industry.

I am thoroughly enjoying the T Level programme, and it is setting me up amazingly well for a future career in Engineering. I'm still not quite sure on my next steps, but I know I want to stay in the Engineering industry. Although, an avenue I'm possibly looking down is Design Engineering."

We are very proud of our learners like Ben and are excited to see where their future career takes them.



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