

# Modern Apprenticeships at the PLA

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**An apprenticeship bridges the gap between gaining an education and moving into the world of work. They can also help those already in work, if you're looking to add to your skill set by taking up training...**

## What is a PLA apprenticeship?

A PLA apprenticeship means working alongside experienced, friendly staff in a professional organisation with a proud history – to gain job-specific skills.

You'll earn a wage, get holiday pay and also have time off (paid) at college for study and training related to your role.

Apprenticeships usually take one-to-five years to complete, depending on which level it is.

Generally speaking, there are usually three levels of apprenticeship available, depending on applicants' skills and qualifications. They are: Intermediate Apprenticeship (level 2), Advanced Apprenticeship (level 3) and Higher Apprenticeship (level 4 and above).

## Who can apply?

Anyone who's still at school can do an apprenticeship. But you also need to be:

- 16 or over
- Living in England
- Not in full-time education.

## How to apply

Find details on how to apply for an apprenticeship at our website [pla.co.uk/Apprenticeship-Opportunities](http://pla.co.uk/Apprenticeship-Opportunities). Download a form and email it, completed, to us: [apprentices@pla.co.uk](mailto:apprentices@pla.co.uk). Alternatively, post your form to: Apprenticeships, London River



PLA flagship, *London Titan*, at work in central London

House, Royal Pier Road, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 2BG. You can also collect a form, in person, from the above address.

## Pay and conditions

You'll be paid during your apprenticeship. The first year is normally at an apprenticeship rate of £3.50 per hour and for the following years you'll receive a 'spot' salary above the national minimum wage.

## Working hours

As well as being paid for normal working hours, you'll be paid for training that is part of your apprenticeship.

## Benefits

You'll get 28 days paid holiday per year, plus bank holidays.

You'll also be entitled to:

- Private healthcare (Westfield Health Cash Plan)
- Occupational Health services & Wellbeing Support
- Gravesham Leisure discounts
- Cycle to Work Scheme.

## Further help and advice

If you have any further questions about our apprenticeships, call PLA Human Resources on **01474 562200**.

The national Apprenticeship Helpline is **0800 015 0400** (it's free to call from landlines and mobiles). It's open 8am to 10pm, seven days a week. Or email: [nationalhelpdesk@apprenticeships.gov.uk](mailto:nationalhelpdesk@apprenticeships.gov.uk).

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