

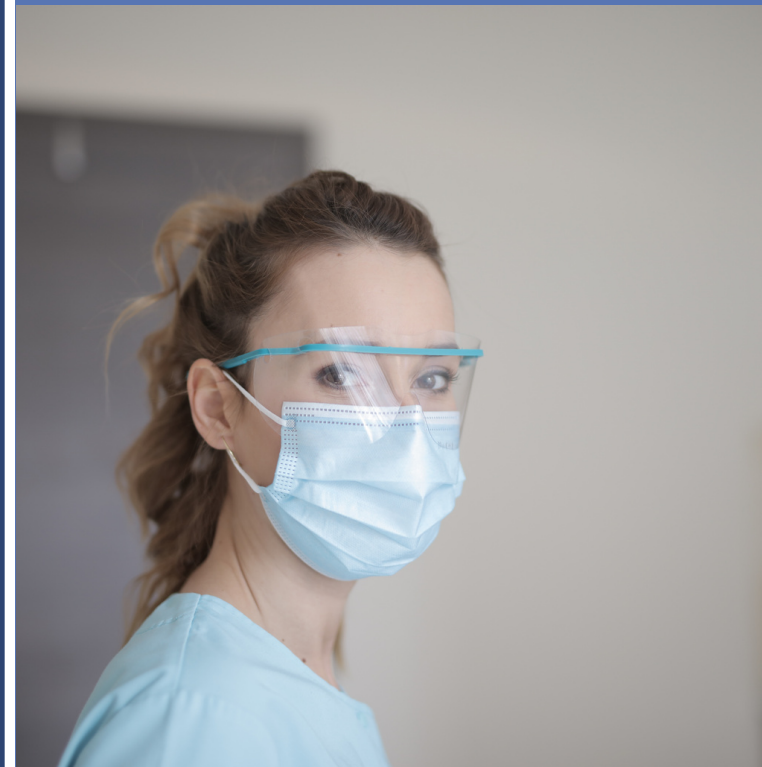
Career of the Week: Doctor

Qualifications needed:
Seven GCSEs, including sciences, with 5 subjects at grades 9 to 7 and English and maths at at least grade 6.



Annual Salary:
£37,935 -
£48,075

Qualifications needed:
Three A Levels at grade A in chemistry and either biology, physics or maths, plus another academic subject.



How long at college/ University?
Five years:
Medicine degree.

Career of the Week: Electrician

Qualifications needed:
GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English, would be an advantage.



Annual Salary:
£33,176
(approx.)



Additional qualifications needed:
Electrical engineering or similar qualification completed at college or through an apprenticeship.



How long at college/ University?
It normally takes 2-4 years to become fully qualified.

Career of the Week: Hairdresser

Qualifications needed:
Some GCSEs, usually including English and Maths for an intermediate apprenticeship.



Annual Salary:
£22,304
(approx.)

Additional qualifications needed:
5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4, including English and Maths for an advanced apprenticeship.

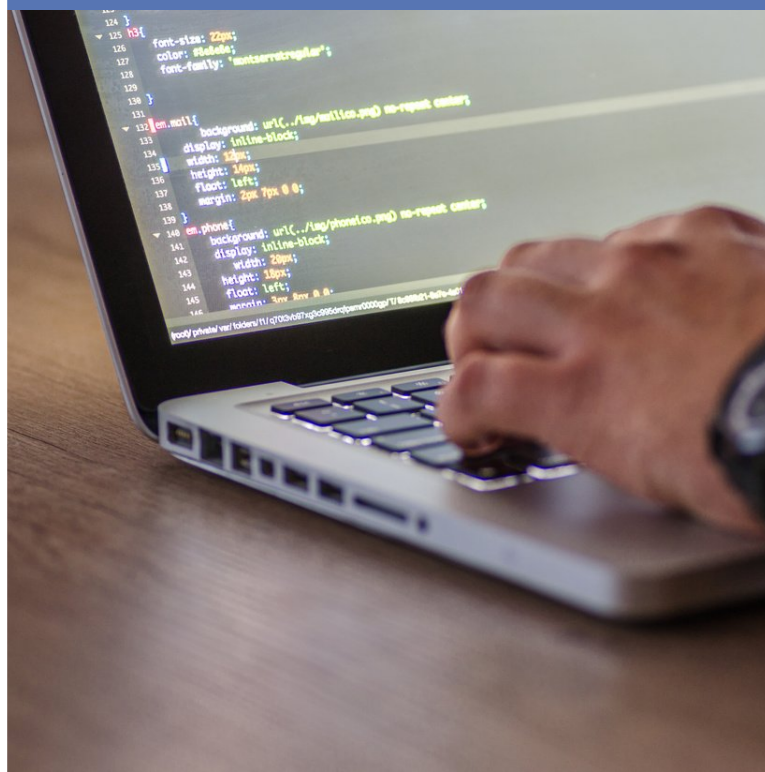


How long at college?
Level 2 or 3
Diploma in
Hairdressing can
take 3 years at
college. You may
be able to combine
this course with
other subjects, like
beauty therapy.

Career of the Week: Software Developer

Qualifications needed:

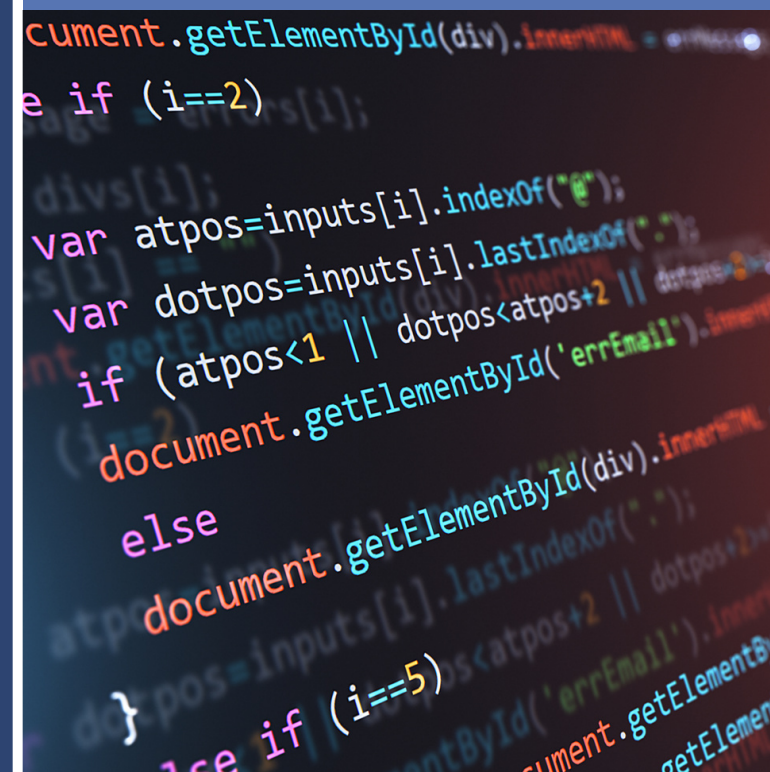
Most employers will expect you have to have a relevant computing qualification or degree.



Annual Salary:
£26,000 -
£52,000.

Skills needed:

Some of the most sought after skills include Java, C#, Smalltalk, Visual Basic, Oracle, Linux and .net. PHP is also becoming desirable.



How long at college/ University?

You can gain experience through work placements, internships or a year in industry.



Career of the Week: Vet

Qualifications needed:
Five GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 including Science, English, and Maths.



Annual Salary:
£30,000 -
£70,000.



Additional qualifications needed:
Entry requirements for veterinary medicine degree courses range from BBC to A*AA at A Level.



How long at college/ University?
Full-time veterinary degrees usually take 5 years at University.

Career of the Week: Receptionist

Qualifications needed:

You may not need any formal qualifications to start work as a receptionist, although some employers will prefer you to have GCSEs, particularly in English and maths.



Annual Salary:

£18,800 -
£28,000.

Skills needed:

IT skills such as word processing, and the ability to use the internet and email may also be helpful.



How long at college/ University?

None. Although a college course in Shorthand (quick note taking) could be beneficial.

Career of the Week: Police Officer

Qualifications needed:

Two or more
GCSEs at grades 9
to 3, or
equivalent, for a
Level 2 course.

Four or five
GCSEs at grades 9
to 4, or
equivalent, for a
Level 3 course.



Annual Salary:

£20,880 -
£40,128.



How long at college/ University?

You do not need
a degree to
become a Police
Officer. Training
is provided by the
force.

Career of the Week: Journalist

Qualifications needed:

Five GCSEs at grades 9 to 4, including Maths, English and Science.



Annual Salary:

£25,000 -
£100,000.



Qualifications needed:

Three A levels.
Subjects that give an advantage are:
Media,
Communication
Studies and Law.



How long at college/ University?

Journalism
degrees usually
last for three or
four years at
University.



Career of the Week: Social Worker

Qualifications needed:
Five GCSEs at grades 9 to 4, including Maths, English and Science.



Annual Salary:
£24,000 -
£30,000.

Qualifications needed:
Two A Levels.
Preferably Psychology, Sociology, and Law.



How long at college/ University?

2-3 years for a degree.

3 years for an apprenticeship.

Career of the Week: Midwife

Qualifications needed:

Five GCSEs at grades 9 to 4, including English, Maths, and a Science.



Annual Salary:

£24,907 -
£37,890.



Additional qualifications needed:

Two or three A Levels, including a Science, or a Level 3 diploma in Health, Science, or Nursing.



How long at college/ University?

3 years for a degree.

4 years for an apprenticeship.

