NOT FOR PROFIT CAREERS FAIR

Tuesday 24 October 12:00 – 14:00
3Sixty, RUSU

Career options in the not-for-profit and charity sectors

Network and make contacts

Access support

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### Autism Berkshire

**Main cause:**
Autism information, support and leisure activities

**Talk to us about...**
- Our organisation
- Working in the sector
- Volunteering roles
- Placements

**Website:** autismberkshire.org.uk

Autism Berkshire is the leading autism charity in Berkshire, with more than 25 years’ experience of delivering high-quality services throughout the county. All the support and advice, training workshops and social and leisure activities we provide are driven by a single aim - to make a difference to the lives of children, young people and adults living with autism in Berkshire and their families.

### Amnesty International (UoR)

**Main cause:**
International Human Rights

**Talk to us about...**
- Our organisation
- Volunteering roles

**Website:** rusu.co.uk/societies/14113/

Amnesty International is a Nobel Prize-winning, global human rights organisation fighting for the rights of all people. As a student group, our aim is to raise awareness about human rights issues and get more people involved. Action may be taken in the form of letter writing campaigns or various fundraisers. We welcome anyone to join us, whether they’ve got lots of experience with Amnesty, knowledge of human rights or not. All we want is passionate students who won’t stand by and allow human rights breaches to occur, to help us spread our message and make a difference.

### Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trust

**Main cause:**
Wildlife conservation

**Talk to us about...**
- Our organisation
- Working in the sector
- Personal career journeys
- Volunteering roles

**Website:** bbowt.org.uk

If you are interested in developing a career in practical wildlife conservation, some volunteer experience is essential. Come and meet us to find out how you can get involved and the opportunities available. The Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trust has a wide range of volunteer groups and voluntary traineeships, ideal for graduates keen to work in this sector.

If you want to try it out we will run a volunteer day on Saturday 18th November for students to experience a day of practical conservation work at Greenham Common managing heathland and woodland habitats. Just sign up with us at the careers fair.
British Red Cross

More information

Main cause:
Humanitarian aid

Talk to us about...
Our organisation
Working in the sector
Volunteering roles

Website: redcross.org.uk

The British Red Cross helps people in crisis, whoever and wherever they are. We are part of a global voluntary network, responding to conflicts, natural disasters and individual emergencies. We help vulnerable people in the UK and abroad prepare for, withstand and recover from emergencies in their own communities.

Catalyst Housing

More information

Main cause:
Housing association with charitable status

Talk to us about...
Our organisation
Working in the sector
Personal career journeys
Volunteering roles
Placements

Website: chg.org.uk

Catalyst Housing provides more than 21,000 homes in London and the South East, through a wide range of rental and homeownership opportunities. We are one of the leading housing associations in London and the South East. We aim to be a catalyst for change and improvement wherever we work, pursuing better homes, better service and a better future for our customers. We’ve been at the forefront of housing for more than 80 years, constantly adapting and evolving our services to meet customers’ changing needs. Today, we provide a wide range of housing solutions and community development initiatives and place making approaches, working closely with our customers, other neighbours and partners to meet local needs.

Charityworks

More information

Main cause:
Multiple causes - roles available at multiple charities

Talk to us about...
Our organisation
Working in the sector
Personal career journeys
Graduate vacancies

Website: charity-works.co.uk

Charityworks is a 12 month, paid graduate scheme, and Times Top 100 Graduate Employer. As a Charityworks Graduate Trainee you will deliver a full time job in a partner charity or housing association, and take part in an acclaimed leadership programme which will introduce you to what you need to work and lead in the non-profit sector. In your placement you might be providing vital business support and evaluation at a national charity like NSPCC, leading on the improvement of infrastructure projects with a leading housing charity, driving international business with the RNLI, or serving a community in a local project.
Circles South East

More information

Main cause:
Tackling sexual crime and helping sexual offenders

Talk to us about...
Volunteering roles
Placements

Website: circlessoutheast.org.uk

Circles South East is a Registered Charitable Company that takes a holistic approach to tackling sexual crime, helping sexual offenders to reintegrate safely into the community reducing the risk of their sexually re-offending. We achieve this through bridging the gap between communities, an offender and professional agencies so that the offender can be managed safely.

Circles South East provides a Circle of Support and Accountability, a simple concept by which a group of trained and professionally supervised group of volunteers form a Circle around a high risk sex offender (known as the core member) or young person living in or due to be released into the community.

Creating Better Futures

More information

Main cause:
Working with orphans and vulnerable children in Zimbabwe

Talk to us about...
Our organisation
Working in the sector
Personal career journeys
Volunteering roles
Placements
Internships

Website: creatingbetterfutures.org.uk

We work in Zimbabwe, with orphans and vulnerable children. We focus on providing them with an education, providing feeding programs in a few schools and we have also helped provide water projects. Our main aims are to improve the quality of children's lives at the moment and to give them a head start to their future; something we believe education can give them.

Creative Support

More information

Main cause:
Social care services for people with learning disabilities, mental health and other needs.

Talk to us about...
Our organisation
Working in the sector
Personal career journeys
Graduate vacancies
Volunteering roles
Placements

Website: creativesupport.co.uk

Creative Support is a national organisation that provides person centred social care services to adults with a range of learning disabilities, mental health and other needs.

There are many flexible roles from front line support workers, to the development team. In Reading, Creative Support work in over 10 services, supporting individuals with Autism, learning disabilities and various mental health needs.

Our roles for local volunteers are currently expanding with a variety of options to develop in collaboration with your interests. We look forward to discussing your skills and how we can support your professional development.
Disability Challengers

Challengers is a regional charity that provides Play and Leisure services to over 1,400 disabled children and young people. At Challengers, disabled children and young people can play, relax, make friends, and truly feel like they belong. At the same time, families with disabled children can use these short breaks to pursue ‘ordinary’ activities such as shopping or spending time with their other children. We are on the search for energetic and enthusiastic Youth Workers to join the growing Challengers Team!

Website: disability-challengers.org

First Days Children's Charity

First Days is a children’s charity based in Berkshire that helps families living in poverty by offering them practical support. First Days works with childcare professionals to identify those in need. We collect donated, pre-loved baby and toddler clothing, equipment, furniture and toys and redistribute them to families living in need.

Website: firstdays.net

Frontier

Frontier is an international non-profit volunteering organisation that runs over 450 conservation and community development projects in over 60 countries. Frontier has over 25 years of experience in sending volunteers abroad on engaging and capacity building projects. Frontier inspires people to step off the beaten path and make their travel meaningful.

Website: frontier.ac.uk
Frontline

Frontline's mission is to transform the lives of vulnerable children by recruiting and developing outstanding individuals to be leaders in social work and broader society. Our unique two-year on-the-job leadership programme will offer high-achieving graduates and career changers the opportunity to join one of Britain’s most challenging, and most rewarding, professions. Participants will work as frontline children and families social workers in Local Authorities undertaking child protection work which will change lives.

Make-A-Wish Foundation UK

Our purpose is simple. We grant magical wishes to enrich the lives of children and young people fighting life-threatening conditions. Granting their One True Wish provides seriously ill children with hope for the future, strength to cope and resilience to fight their condition. They’re given quality time away from the daily realities of living with their condition and have the chance to make magical memories they can treasure forever – whatever their future may hold.

We want to transform the lives of 1,000 children this year by granting their One True Wish. We receive no government funding – so rely on the support of people like you.

Marie Curie

Working or volunteering for Marie Curie allows you the opportunity to be involved in a national charity which encourages learning and development through all roles. The charity is friendly and welcoming with good support. If you want to stand out - Marie Curie is the yellow charity that needs you!
### Marrow

**Stand number: 18**

**More information**

**Main cause:**
Save the lives of people with blood cancer

**Talk to us about...**
Our organisation
Volunteering roles

**Website:** anthonynolan.org

Marrow is the student branch of Anthony Nolan, and together we work to save the lives of people with blood cancer by raising awareness and recruiting students onto the bone marrow register.

### Mills Archive Trust

**Stand number: 5**

**More information**

**Main cause:**
Heritage Preservation, Education and Research

**Talk to us about...**
Our organisation
Working in the sector
Personal career journeys
Graduate vacancies
Volunteering roles
Placements
Internships

**Website:** millsarchive.org

The Mills Archive is a permanent repository for the documentary and photographic records of traditional and contemporary mills and milling worldwide, as well as similar structures dependent on traditional power sources. Material is freely available for public inspection and for use in research and learning. We aim to become a national centre for excellence and were awarded Archive Accreditation from the National Archives in 2016.

The Mills Archive Trust is wholly independent as a charitable incorporated organisation. Our Development Team are proactive in fund-raising with the regular support of Friends, Heritage Partners, Corporate Friends and Patrons. Successful project grants have been awarded from the HLF and other heritage, archive and milling organisations.

### Oxfam GB

**Stand number: 14**

**More information**

**Main cause:**
International development, poverty and injustice all around the world

**Talk to us about...**
Our organisation
Volunteering roles
Campaigning - we have Oxfam university societies all across England - and would love one at Reading too!

**Website:** oxfam.org.uk/get-involved/campaign-with-us

Oxfam campaigns against the root causes of poverty and injustice all across the globe. From responding to disasters and helping communities stand on their own two feet - we are proud to work in more than 90 countries all across the globe.
Prince's Trust

**Main cause:**
Supporting young people aged 13-30 to move into employment, education or training

**Talk to us about...**
- Our organisation
- Working in the sector
- Volunteering roles

**Website:** princes-trust.org.uk

The Prince's Trust support young people aged 13-30 into education, employment, training and self employment. We also offer volunteering opportunities to develop your skills and understanding of the charity sector.

RED Award

**Main cause:**
Improving the employability of students at Reading

**Talk to us about...**
- Volunteering
- Work experience
- Training and development

**Website:** reading.ac.uk/redaward

The Reading Experience and Development (RED) Award is the official University of Reading Employability Skills Certificate. The RED Award is open to all students and is here to help you make the most of the extra-curricular activities and experiences on offer outside of the academic programme. The certificate is awarded alongside your degree and will support you to gain experience and stand out from the crowd in an increasingly competitive job market.

If you have already completed the RED Award, ask us about the new Advanced RED Award.

RUSU RAG

**Main cause:**
Fundraising for various charities

**Talk to us about...**
- Fundraising
- Getting involved

**Website:** rusu.co.uk/rag

Reading Raising And Giving (RAG) is the official fundraising body at The University of Reading. As a student-orientated society, we work to fundraise for a variety of charities, locally and globally, as well as engaging widely with the local community. To do this, we provide students with exciting events and experiences, from themed union nights to hitching across the country and into Europe.

Not only is your involvement with RAG key to help fundraise and support charitable causes, RAG also allows students to develop invaluable skills, memories and experiences that no other society can provide! Skill development and volunteering are two crucial values that extra-curricular societies can give you, alongside your degree, and Reading RAG are here to help!
**St John's and St Stephen's Contact Centre**

**More information**

**Main cause:**
Provide a safe space for children in separated families to meet the non-resident parent.

**Talk to us about...**
- Our organisation
- Working in the sector
- Volunteering roles

**Website:** naccc.org.uk

We are looking for volunteers to join our small teams staffing the sessions we offer where children can meet their non-resident parent in a safe and child friendly environment. Volunteers in a child contact centre need to be impartial, caring, tolerant, sensitive, flexible, discreet and reliable. They must always put children’s needs first and not take sides with either parent or any other adults involved in the contact. Our sessions are on Sunday afternoons, two Sundays each month. Training is given and a DBS declaration is needed for safeguarding purposes. This could be valuable for anyone wanting to work in family law, social services or other caring professions.

**Sue Ryder Duchess of Kent Hospice**

**More information**

**Main cause:**
End of life care

**Talk to us about...**
- Our organisation
- Volunteering roles

**Website:** sueryder.org

Our services cover West Berkshire from three sites: Duchess of Kent Hospice in Reading, Wokingham Day Hospice and Charles Clore Unit in Newbury.

We provide specialist end of life care, aiming to help people live as well as possible with the effects of their conditions by offering care, symptom management and support from a multi-professional team. Duchess of Kent Hospice is a 15-bed inpatient hospice. All beds are in private rooms overlooking our wonderful courtyard garden and all have ensuite facilities. We also offer advice and support to people in their own homes through our clinical nurse specialist teams, and day hospice care at all three sites.

**The Challenge**

**More information**

**Main cause:**
Create a more integrated society where there is understanding and appreciation of each other’s differences

**Talk to us about...**
- Our organisation
- Working in the sector
- Personal career journeys
- Graduate vacancies
- Placements
- Seasonal employment opportunities

**Website:** ncsthechallenge.org/jobs

National Citizen Service (NCS) is a government-funded programme that brings together 15 – 17 year olds from a diverse range of backgrounds to make a difference in their community. In Summer 2017, we mentored, challenged and inspired 40,000 young people on their NCS journey; our 2018 programme will be the largest yet and will require the motivation and support of over 4,500 seasonal staff to bring the programme to life and ensure its lasting impact. We have a wide variety of paid roles, they all differ in length, rate of pay and experience required. There is something for everyone!
Not-For-Profit Fair 2017

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