Realise your ambitions
We know you will invest considerable time and money undertaking a degree at UCL, and do so to boost your career or undertake further study in the UK or abroad. We take your future ambitions seriously and will help you realise them through individual and group activities.

Our team of professional consultants can discuss your options and assist your progress. UCL students are highly regarded and targeted by employers, who value their academic achievements and the skills they gain through extracurricular activities and work experience.

Helping to enhance your capabilities
UCL Careers and UCLU run a joint programme of skills development activities known as Skills4Work. These involve employers coming onto campus to coach you in areas such as leadership, negotiation and problem-solving, while helping you with the application process, from CV writing to mock interviews with feedback.

www.skills4work.net

Subject-specific activities
Every academic department has a specialist careers consultant who runs a bespoke programme of activities, from talks about career options, to panel discussions on the experiences of previous students.

Meeting employers
UCL is consistently ranked as one of the world’s very best universities and employers are keen to meet our students and discuss the opportunities they offer. Every year about 900 employers/organisations attend events arranged by UCL Careers, including careers fairs, employer presentations and sector ‘themed weeks’, which may include: employer forums, networking events, talks on how to get into the sector and one-to-one advice sessions.

Just the job – vacancies and information online
UCL JobOnline is our very own online jobs board, promoting about 2,500 jobs, work experience and intern opportunities a week to students at the university. We also have a fully resourced and comprehensive careers library and online resources.

UCL Talent Bank is run by UCL Careers and puts you in touch with employers who are actively recruiting UCL students in small and medium-sized organisations. UCL Careers helps coach you through the application and interview process.

AlphaSights – Information services
Helen Donnelly, Recruitment Manager
The level of support from UCL Careers has ensured that all of our UCL campus events have been not only well attended but well executed. The variety of services they offer has meant that we are able to offer students more dynamic and exciting ways to learn about AlphaSights. Due to the success of our events and the calibre of applicants, UCL remains one of our target top universities.

UCL students are a great fit for this fast-growing business because of their international outlook, flexibility and broad curriculum. Their engagement at our events has demonstrated the enthusiasm that we look for in our employees. They also typically demonstrate excellence in academic as well as extracurricular activities, aligning well with the ambitious spirit that enables people to flourish in a high growth environment.

We are always looking for adaptable and internationally-minded recruits with a flair for business. UCL students have demonstrated how high-calibre individuals are able to leverage lateral thinking and a broad skill set to tackle multiple industries with limited prior knowledge – a key skill for the Graduate Associate role at AlphaSights.

UCL is targeted every year by about 900 employers/organisations who value, amongst other things, the academic achievement of our students.

* All data taken from the ‘Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education’ survey undertaken by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA), looking at destinations of UK and EU graduates in the 2015 cohort.
10,800 individual careers consultant/application adviser appointments took place during the academic year 2015/16

UCL was awarded an Employer Reputation score of 99.3 out of 100 in the QS World University Rankings 2016/17

900 employers attended careers events arranged by UCL Careers in 2015/16 to educate and recruit students

The UCL online careers information library has links to over 10,000 careers related websites and resources

The median starting salary for UCL graduates (£24,336) exceeds the Russell Group average (£23,000) and the national average (£21,000)

24,000 attendees throughout the academic year 2015/16 at Careers Consultant led events

Careers without frontiers
We offer a range of globally focused talks and events catering to both international students and those looking to work overseas.

For up to two years after leaving UCL, graduates have access to specialist one-to-one coaching from careers consultants experienced with dealing with recent leavers, and a suite of careers-related workshops – plus the same range of services from UCL Careers (including the employer events programme) from which current students benefit.

www.ucl.ac.uk/careers
blogs.ucl.ac.uk/ucl-careers
www.twitter.com/uclcareers
www.facebook.com/uclcareers

Career destinations of UCL graduates six months after graduation*

Work (62%)  
Work and study (5%)  
Study (24.6%)  
Other** (10.3%)

**Other
On this chart the heading ‘Other’ represents a grouping of activities in which personal circumstance or choice has influenced the graduate’s immediate options, this includes those:
- due to start a job within the next month of the survey date
- traveling (for example, taking a gap year)
- looking after the home or family/temporarily sick or unable to work
- seeking work or further study
- not employed but NOT looking for employment, further study or training
- permanently unable to work or retired.

Careers Service
Jinwan Kim, Fourth Year, Neuroscience MSci

Through UCL Careers, I established essential basic knowledge and skills from which I could proactively explore new commercial opportunities. The numerous careers fairs and employer presentations hosted by UCL Careers allowed me not only to appreciate the diverse array of industries that were open to me, but also to become comfortable in approaching and networking with employers.

By taking part in their Global Citizenship Employability Programme, I received a crash-course on almost everything I needed to know about applying for jobs, ranging from writing CVs and cover letters to practising mock interviews and assessment centres. I was also involved in the Focus on Management course, where I gained valuable experience working within large teams to tackle a variety of case studies under pressure. These challenges moulded my interpersonal skill set to be fit for all aspects of my life to this day.

Once I graduate from UCL, I will begin a career at a healthcare consultancy—a perfect midway between my academic background and my commercial interests! This offer would not have been possible today without the initial helping hand from UCL Careers.