

PwC's Insight Weeks 2020: Fact File

PwC is offering 500 places to students on three Insight Week programmes in Summer 2020.

Students can apply to one of the below weeks, which consist of workshops and shadowing opportunities, as well as the chance to work on a project team across the week:

- Business Insight Week students gain an insight from apprentices and graduates working in a range of business areas
- **Digital Insight Week** students participate in workshops run by technology experts from a range of tech teams across the business
- Accounting Insight Week students will gain an insight into our Audit business, to help bring to life
 what an accountant and auditor do

This document covers the key information that you'll need to help you support your students with their applications:

- 1. Why are PwC offering Insight Weeks?
- 2. Which students are the PwC Insight Weeks aimed at?
- 3. Where are the Insight Weeks taking place?
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- 5. What is the application process and what are the deadlines?
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1. Why are PwC offering Insight Weeks?

To help students gain:

- An insight into the world of business, accounting and technology
- An understanding of a range of careers at PwC and what they could entail
- Skills and confidence, and to prepare them for an application to a PwC apprenticeship or degree

2. Which students are the PwC Insight Weeks aimed at?

- Students in Year 12 in England/Wales, S5 in Scotland and Year 13 in Northern Ireland
- Students who fulfil the academic entry criteria below

3. Where are the Insight Weeks taking place?

- Business: Aberdeen, Belfast, Birmingham, Bradford, Bristol, Cambridge, Cardiff, Edinburgh, East Midlands, Gatwick, Glasgow, Leeds, London, Manchester, Milton Keynes, Newcastle, Reading, Southampton, Uxbridge / Watford,
- Digital: Belfast, Birmingham, Edinburgh, Leeds, Manchester
- Accounting: Birmingham, Bristol, East Midlands, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds, London, Manchester, Newcastle, Reading, Southampton, Uxbridge/ Watford

4. What are the entry criteria? (Please check each Job Description for full criteria incl. GCSEs)

• **Business:** Students from disadvantaged backgrounds who go to a state school and fulfil one of our Social Mobility criteria (see below), and are on track for 96 UCAS points (CCC at A-Level / MMM at BTEC / BBCC in Scottish Highers).

- **Digital:** Students on track for AAA at A-Level / D*D*D at BTEC / AABBB in Scottish Highers, or equivalent, including Maths or Computer Science. **Northern Ireland Digital Insight Week:** BBB at A-Level or equivalent
- **Accounting:** Students on track for 136 UCAS Points at A-Level, BTEC, Highers or equivalent (equates to AAB, BBBBB at Highers, D*DM at BTEC).

5. What is the application process and what are the deadlines?

- Online application form (by 14th February)
- Career Valuation our Situation Judgement Test (by 19th February)
- Career Unlocked our Game Based Assessment (by 19th February)
- Career Conversation a Video Interview (deadline to be shared when invited)
- More details about the application process can be found here. Note that students do not need to complete a Career Focus Day (assessment day) for the Insight Weeks

6. What are the Social Mobility criteria for the Business Insight Week (excl. Northern Ireland)?

Students must attend a state school AND meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Their parents have not attended university,
- They have been in receipt of free school meals at any point during school career,
- They attend a school with a higher than average proportion of students in receipt of free school meals (this will be determined based on the school postcode provided).

7. What could the Insight Week lead to?

- Business: Students will have the opportunity to fast-track to the final stage of the application
 process for one of our apprenticeship programmes, and may be able to fast-track through some
 stages for one of our Flying Start degrees
- Accounting: Students who apply via UCAS to one of our Flying Start <u>Accounting Degrees</u> will have the opportunity to fast track to the penultimate stage of the application process, if the university accepts their personal statement
- Digital: Students who apply via UCAS to one of our <u>Technology Degree Apprenticeships</u> will have the opportunity to fast track to the penultimate stage of the application process, if the university accepts their personal statement

8. Where can I find out more?

- Insight Week website here and Insight Week Virtual Information Events, sign up here
- For questions not answered online, please email uk schools recruitment@pwc.com
- Useful resources
 - PwC Careers YouTube Channel <u>www.youtube.com/user/careerspwc/playlists</u>
 - Employability Hub: <u>www.pwc.co.uk/careers/school-jobs/employability.html</u>
 - Application Hints & Tips: www.pwc.co.uk/careers/school-jobs/applying

9. What are the dates of the Insight Weeks in 2020? *Subject to change

- **Digital**: w/b 13th July (Scotland), w/b 20th July (Belfast), w/b 27th July (rest of UK)
- Accounting / Business (Scotland): w/b 6th July
- Business (Belfast): w/b 27th July or w/b 3th August
- Accounting / Business (Rest of UK): w/b 3rd August & w/b 17th August

Please do encourage your students to apply. The application process itself will be a valuable and insightful experience for them, and they will gain feedback at every stage. Students who gain a place on our Insight Week will have a fantastic opportunity and lay the foundations for a very successful career at PwC and beyond!