

Institute of Apprenticeships & loA Alumni Network

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At New College Lanarkshire (NCL), we are dedicated to fulfilling our ambition of becoming the leading provider of high-quality apprenticeships across Lanarkshire and beyond. Our commitment extends beyond education and training—we are invested in the long-term success and professional growth of our apprentices, both during their programmes and throughout their careers.

As part of this commitment, we are proud to introduce the Institute of Apprenticeships and the IoA Alumni Network. This initiative will serve as a platform for current and former apprentices to engage with industry professionals, share knowledge, and access continued career development opportunities. By building a strong and supportive professional network, we aim to enhance career progression, encourage lifelong learning, and strengthen connections between apprentices and employers.

Why employers choose NCL

When businesses invest in apprenticeships with NCL, they're not just training staff—they're building a stronger, more skilled workforce. Our approach ensures that employers see real benefits, including:

- A more **resilient**, **highly skilled team**, equipped for the demands of the industry.
- A boost in innovation, helping to drive business growth and strengthen the local economy.
- Increased productivity and morale, with apprentices who are engaged and motivated.
- Better awareness of health and wellbeing, leading to a more balanced and effective workforce.
- Support for apprentices in developing essential life skills, from financial fitness to personal development.

Giving apprentices more than just a qualification

An apprenticeship should be more than just work and study—it should be an opportunity to grow, connect, and build a future. That's exactly what we offer at NCL, with benefits such as:

- High-quality teaching and support, ensuring apprentices reach their full potential.
- A real sense of community through the Institute of Apprenticeships, where they can connect with peers and mentors.
- Access to professional development opportunities, helping to shape longterm careers.
- A peer support network, so apprentices can learn from each other and share experiences.
- The chance to be mentored by experienced alumni, gaining insights that make a difference.
- Wellbeing support, including financial fitness guidance and access to mental health services through our Wellbeing Academies.



The Power of Our Alumni Network

Finishing an apprenticeship with NCL doesn't mean the journey is over—it means becoming part of a lifelong network. The IoA Alumni Network will offer:

- Official recognition of alumni status at NCL, celebrating achievements and career progress.
- Continued professional development through The Learning Well, our online platform for keeping skills sharp and up to date.
- Networking events that connect alumni with industry leaders, mentors, and fellow professionals.
- A supportive community that champions career growth and personal wellbeing.
- Access to exclusive workshops and webinars covering progression.
- The chance to be featured in our Alumni Spotlight, sharing success stories in newsletters and on social media to inspire the next generation of apprentices.



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