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Southampton Solent University Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

1. Apprenticeship Delivery

Southampton Solent University is involved in Higher and Degree apprenticeships in four main areas:

Construction

The University will be one of the first in the UK to offer Level 4 Higher Apprenticeship and Level 6 Degree Apprenticeship across a variety of construction related disciplines. These new Apprenticeships will be underpinned by existing HNCs in Architectural Technology, Construction Management and Civil Engineering, and the BA Architectural Technology and BSc Construction Management respectively and delivered as part of the University's Built Environment portfolio.

II. **Business**

The University is also involved in an employer-led Trailblazer development in Leadership and Management. This Chartered Manager Degree Apprenticeship has integrated CMI membership into the University's degree programme and will be delivered by the School of Business and Law through a combination of existing blended learning units and face-to-face delivery.

III. **Creative Industries**

The University has received Catalyst Funding from HEFCE to act as the lead partner with the Sector Skills Council, Skillset, in the development of accelerated degrees/Higher Apprenticeships in the creative industries. We are currently developing two-year, accelerated degrees in journalism, advertising and, more recently, public relations and will evaluate the competencies to ensure that they meet the demands of both the Degree and the Higher Apprenticeship offer. In developing the provision the University has worked with newspaper editors and creative agencies. Considerable support has also been received from advertising and public relations agencies and newspaper groups.

IV. **Health and Social Care**

The University already offers the Foundation Degree (FdSc) in Health and Social Care, codelivered in partnership with eight NHS Trusts across the southern region stretching from Bournemouth to Portsmouth, as part of the Higher Apprenticeship in Health (Assistant Practitioner). A new pathway has been opened for students from local FE and sixth-form colleges, allowing them to apply for Apprenticeships in healthcare through a local NHS Trust and then study for the FdSc at the University.

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