

HIGHER AND DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS

PACKAGING PROFESSIONAL

BSC (HONS) PACKAGING DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

OVERVIEW

This course allows your staff to gain advanced knowledge and qualifications in sustainable packaging practice — bringing the benefits to your business.

The course delivers against the Degree Apprenticeship Packaging Professional Standard, and is co-designed with packaging industry partners. Packaging concerns the economical and sustainable containment, protection and distribution of consumer goods. This course will provide you with an understanding of all aspects of the packaging industry from raw material conversion, understanding barrier properties and the importance of marketing and presentation. Your staff will gain the relevant, cutting-edge skills that businesses in the packaging and retail sectors need to move forward.

It's a part-time programme which combines work-based learning and academic study — so your staff will be able to apply their knowledge directly to your organisation. This means that you'll get new expertise for your business, while your staff improve their education, qualifications and credentials.

Typical topics include:

- Fundamental principles of Packaging Technology.
- Understanding the consumer supply chain.
- New product development.

The apprentices will also be able to study to a level which suits their career plans or existing qualifications. There are also a range of further study options available, in fields such as logistics, supply chain and packaging design.

This course is therefore a great way to improve staff retention and recruitment, while bringing new skills to your organisation.



BENEFITS TO YOU

- Enhance your learning and development strategy by establishing a clear progression for new and existing staff to become packaging professionals.
- Support new starters in making an immediate and cost-effective contribution to planning practice.
- Generate a return on investment through accelerated staff development and increased commitment.

KEY INDUSTRY DRIVERS

- Sustainability - Requirements for sustainability rising at every step of the supply chain.
- Substitution to alternative materials.
- Sustainability becoming a key motivator for consumers
- Changing consumer preferences. Demands for much more personalization, convenience, health, and affordability.

Entry requirements

- GCSE mathematics and English at grade C or grade 4 or above or equivalent, plus one of the following:
- 112 UCAS points including at least 64 points from two A levels, or equivalent BTEC National qualifications. We accept AS levels. We accept General Studies
- 96 UCAS points from three A levels, including at least 64 points from two A levels, or equivalent BTEC National qualifications. We accept General Studies
- applicants must have suitable packaging-related employment and have the support of their employer
- previous relevant work or work-related experience
- standard process of recognition of prior experiential learning (known as RPEL) applies

Duration

- 3.5 years including end point assessment.

Delivery methods

- Part-time.

Assessment

The BSc Packaging Professional Degree Apprenticeship culminates in an integrated End Point Assessment. The final module of the course also covers the requirements of the End Point Assessment for the Apprenticeship.

The EPA consists of two assessment methods:

- Work based project and presentation
- case study examination

The EPA Plan has been incorporated into the L6 60-credit module named Packaging Professional End Point Assessment. The structure of this module includes a number of formative assessment stages which will give you feedback on your progression.

Receiving timely and constructive feedback on your learning is vital in helping you to understand what is expected of your work at a particular level, what you have achieved so far, and what you would need to do to improve your work in future. You will be given feedback on a regular basis throughout your course and this will include both formative and summative feedback.

In the EPA module, regular meetings between you, your workplace mentor and work based coach will support your learning and you receive formative feedback at key points throughout the module.

Throughout the formative feedback points employers will be involved, so that both you as the apprentice and your employer are familiar with your progress.

Award info

Successful participants will gain a BSc (Honours) Packaging Design and Technology (degree apprenticeship) award from Sheffield Hallam University.

Fees

- Employers who pay the apprenticeship levy can use their payments to cover course fees and assessment.
- If your organisation doesn't pay the levy, you can still access government funding to cover at least 95% of course fees.
- Fee amounts vary depending on your exact requirements. Please contact us to find out more.

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