

# Q&A – What can you expect?

## Panel Events

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### Proposed schedule:

**18:00 – 18:15:** Brief introduction from all panellists and a short overview of their bio

**18:15 – 19:00:** Q&A led by a Careers Consultant giving all panellists the chance to take part in a “debate like forum” which will also include questions from the floor

**19:00 – 19:30:** Q&A from students– a chance for students to ask questions about the companies and the experiences of the panellists.

### Sample of questions:

To give you a chance to prepare, some of the types of questions you can expect employers to be asked are included below.

- What has your career-path been so far?
- What does the company do to support Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in the workplace?
- Do you feel the organisation is diverse?
- As a new starter from a possible underrepresented background, what did you feel your challenges were when starting out?
- Did you experience any barriers to your success, and if so, how did you overcome them?
- What work experience, if any, did you gain whilst you were at university?
- What does your current role entail?
- What do you like most about your job?
- What are the biggest challenges in your job?
- What is a typical “Day in Your Work Life” like?
- How well did you settle into working at the company socially and were any away days and social events organised?
- What is a typical starting salary in this field?
- How do you see the jobs in this field changing over the next five years, particularly with the developments in AI and automation?
- What is the one piece of advice you wish you had heard at an earlier stage in your career / what one piece of advice would you give to students hoping to get into this field?
- What degree backgrounds are the most attractive to employers in your field?
- What skills, not necessarily taught during a degree course, are the most helpful for this type of career?
- What does the application process for internships and graduate jobs at your company involve? And what tips do you have for someone looking to strengthen their application?
- Does your company want to attract students with an entrepreneurial mindset, and if so why?