

## Student Entitlement Statement for Careers

Aquinas College encourages students to develop key universal skills, knowledge and attitudes that employers, universities, colleges and apprenticeship providers value. We are committed to provide a tailored and impartial approach for all students.

We do this through utilising the Gatsby Benchmarks to organise our careers provision around. The Gatsby Benchmarks “*define what world class careers provision*” ([CEC, 2023](#)) looks like. This means that as a student at Aquinas College you can expect:

1.	<b>A planned and structured careers education programme,</b> that aims to help prepare you for your future.
2.	<b>High quality Labour Market Information (LMI),</b> which includes future study options, employment and local opportunities.
3.	<b>Tailored careers advice and support for all students</b> that aims to keep you at the centre & challenge stereotypical thinking.
4.	<b>All subjects linking curriculum learning to careers.</b>
5.	<b>Multiple opportunities to talk with employers</b> about work, employment and valuable workplace skills.
6.	<b>Experiences of the workplace</b> through Aquinas facilitating the exploration of career & networking opportunities.
7.	<b>Opportunities to talk with Educational representatives</b> including the staff and students from colleges, universities & apprenticeship providers.
8.	<b>Personal Guidance with a Qualified Careers Adviser</b> 1:1 / group appointments with your needs at the centre. With your explicit permission, staff or parents may also attend a 1:1 careers appointment.