

# Manchester Adult Education



## Skill up and take advantage of the candidate shortage!

Surprisingly to many, the UK is facing a great candidate shortage, leaving the job market plentiful for those searching for jobs. There are numerous positions needing to be filled in a number of areas, and through this you can see if any may interest

you and the next steps you would undergo in order to push yourself forwards as a promising candidate. Looking to skill up, or get into the career that's right for you, here's a list to provide some insight into the UK job market:



## Further Education Teacher/Assessor

Teaching is a fulfilling career path often considered by many, and a good way to explore improving some of your skills or making use of existing ones. Foreign language teaching allows you to make use of being bi/multilingual, and the push into the digital world means constantly opening doors in this sector. Using adult education services to gain entry-level qualifications in digital skills could open up this door for you.



## Teaching assistant

A more practical job in education, MAED offers a course to provide you easily with the qualifications needed to enter the world of work in education with children most practically. This job is also ideal if looking for a career you feel as though you can learn through, as you can work upwards with this role being a starting point for a future in the education sector.

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## Graphic designers

With the ever-increasing world of digital, this is a really important space to focus on if looking to venture into a new career path. Use of online courses can familiarise you with how to use certain programs or make the most of your digital software to improve your skills in graphic design; this combines any pre-existing love of creativity and an eye for design with the learnable required digital skills. Graphic design by hand is also an available market, if you would prefer to expand in a practical creative field without the digital skills.



## Web design/ Software development

Similar to the aforementioned shortage, there are an abundance of jobs in the digital and tech market up for taking at competitive salary rates. Finding a niche in this field can all be discovered if you prefer exploring an aesthetic-based, creative passion or thrive more in analytical environments. Working in tech really inspires learning, as everyone is continuing to constantly learn more about their own field and you can join in too. Manchester is becoming a growing tech hub in the UK1, with jobs in the digital sector projected to continue to grow.





## Archaeologists

There are numerous gaps in the employment market in the social and humanities sciences, but a particularly outstanding one is for archaeologists. A largely practical job, many entry-level positions aren't too academically demanding as much of the learning is gained in experience. Educational courses in history, sociology or any that demonstrate analytical and language skills are largely appreciated by employers.



## Nursing auxiliaries and assistants

Another incredibly fulfilling job, this can act as a great entry into healthcare. Any entry level demonstration of healthcare awareness is hugely appreciated by agency employers or the NHS directly, which can be obtained through online courses at varying qualification levels. This often only requires demonstration of adequate English literacy and maths skills.

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## Engineers (Mechanical, Electrical, Civil)

With such a broad range of positions open, engineering is a booming STEM career path with a range of interesting niche gaps to suit you. Looking at education programs to boost your qualifications and knowledge in the area you're most interested in can vastly improve your chances as a candidate - as this is another field that greatly appreciates an employee's willingness to learn. Greater Manchester has a booming market for engineers, with 110,000 employees in the sector currently.

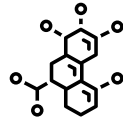


## Speech/ Language Interpreter

Using any currently existing language skills, as well as a desire to further your language knowledge can make you a great candidate for exploring how to get into interpreting. This role exists across a number of niche fields, allowing for you to work in a sector that interests you most.

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## Laboratory technician

Perfect if you're looking for a job that is both analytical as well as practical and hands-on, there are a number of entry-level openings for Laboratory technicians. Many job openings will require GCSE qualifications and may include requirements of science specific qualifications - much of which can be achieved in separate online learning courses or more directly through apprenticeship opportunities.



## Counselling

Another fulfilling job opportunity, counselling is ideal if looking to work to help many people every day and may be easier to get into than anticipated. With a new course on offer, you can access resources to easily step a foot onto the ladder with education and a qualification to boost yourself into the market as a candidate and explore opportunities to work in counselling, be it with children, young adults or an older demographic.

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## Social Work

Social work and social care are both roles with continual demand for employees across the UK, and can provide a perfect job opportunity for many. Qualifications in Health & Social Care are accessible through courses to access a range of qualification levels, depending on the level you would like to start at, or springboard off from if aiming to skill up and work at a higher level than you may already be working at.



## Apply today

This short list only documents a few of the abundance of jobs in sectors with shortages across the UK in 2022, varying hugely across job type and experience required. Don't shy away from a role in fear of not having enough qualifications,

and instead seek out ways to learn more and upskill to improve your candidate profile, take advantage of the job shortage and work in a career path you love.

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