



Virtual Work Experience at **drax**

Monday 15 – Friday 19 February 2021



Who is Drax?

We are one of the largest energy production companies in the UK. We have a number of power plants, the largest of which is based in Selby, Yorkshire. As well as producing our own sustainable biomass we sell electricity to small and medium enterprises through our customer businesses – Opus Energy & Haven Power.

Throughout the virtual work experience week at Drax you will get a flavour of what the world of work looks like. Your experience will involve a mixture of activities, including projects, presentations, and workshops to really give you an insight into the different skills needed for your chosen business area, as well as the more generic employability skills.

What will you do?

The week will be split into general and business area specific days, with a variety of group and individual activities to challenge you and prepare you for your own career journey. You will meet lots of Drax colleagues at all levels, so it will be a great opportunity for you to network, ask lots of questions and really get to know about potential careers in either-

-  **Finance** Underpinning our business are our core services such as Finance and IT. Finance look after the pennies but it's not just about the numbers. From forecasting, tax and payroll, to pricing, market analysis and trading, our finance teams are at the heart of everything we do.
-  **IT & Project Management** Covers everything from ensuring we have the right equipment and infrastructure to operate efficiently, to maintenance, configuration and working with databases. In addition to our security function who work to identify the threats to our business and enable a safe and secure environment for our colleagues to operate in.
-  **Customer Service** Through our two brands - Haven Power and Opus Energy - we supply 100% renewable energy to 200,000 customers, ranging from small, single-site businesses like newsagents, through to large industrial, manufacturing and commercial businesses like water companies, car makers and airports. Our customers businesses are on hand to support our customers with any queries effectively, to meet regulatory and business service level agreements.
-  **Engineering** For over a decade, through sustainable biomass, we have been at the forefront of cleaning up the UK's energy system. We are already the UK's largest provider of renewable energy. Our power station in Yorkshire, together with our pumped storage, hydro and gas-fired generation sites in England and Scotland means Drax now provides enough power for the equivalent of 8.3 million homes.

Who are we looking for?

Pupils in years 10 – 13 who are one or more of the following:

- Are or have been in receipt of free school meals/pupil premium
- Have parents who have not been to university
- Have been in care or are carer
- Came to the UK as an asylum seeker or refugee

In addition:

- You must be studying/have studied GCSE English and Maths, and if you have completed your GCSEs, achieved at least a 5 in these subjects
- For the engineering placement, you must be studying/have studied at least two science-based subjects at GCSE

Key Information

When: Monday 15 – Friday 19 February

Where: This is a virtual work experience placement and will take place online

How can you apply?

- Please [click here](#) for the application form
- Fill in the application form to the best of your ability and ensure that you relate it back to the business area that you are applying for
- Visit www.drax.com to find further information about the company to help you with your application
- **Make sure to submit your application by Tuesday 12 January 2021 at 5.00pm**

Remember! Don't be afraid to speak to your teacher to ask for help in filling out your application.