

Case Study:

Engineer

MBDA Systems



Engineering (Advanced Apprenticeship)

Anna Marsden works as part of a small manufacturing team at MBDA Systems' Lostock facility. She also manages site tours for important visitors, students and graduates.

Benefits

Anna believes that her Apprenticeship has been hugely beneficial, and has been a great way to start her career.

She says "Benefits from my Apprenticeship include improved confidence, communication skills, motivation and increased technical knowledge. Being an apprentice isn't just about classroom learning – it has also meant that I have had the opportunity to apply the theoretical skills I have learnt at college to my work."



Why an Apprenticeship?

When Anna was studying for her A Levels her teachers encouraged her to apply to university, but Anna didn't believe it would be the right choice for her so started to research the other opportunities available. After learning about Advanced Apprenticeships she realised that they offered her exactly what she was looking for.

What Next?

After receiving high grades in her HND in Electronic Engineering, Anna was offered sponsorship from her employers to do a degree. She decided, however, to do a second HND – this time in Mechanical Engineering – because she believed that this would help her become a more rounded engineer. Anna also acts as a Science and Engineering Ambassador for local schools, and manages her employer's two Young Apprentices.