

Careers in the Hospitality, Leisure, Travel and Tourism Sector for Successful Young Apprentices

The Young Apprenticeship in Hospitality, is a great start for a young person looking at a career in the sector. With the sheer breadth of careers available, a young learner on the Young Apprenticeship Programme will have a huge amount of choice in his or her career path.

There are many roles that a young person can consider as their chosen career path and many of these are available in the more traditional businesses associated with the hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism industry.

In this section we will briefly outline the main areas of work that may be of interest to a successful Young Apprenticeship student in hospitality. For further information specific to job types please visit

People 1st UK Skills Passport Website – www.people1st.co.uk

Some Industry facts

Hotels - In the UK the Hotel industry is worth approximately £27bn per annum and there are around 37,000 hotels officially registered with a further 30,000 establishments not on the register. In the UK the core activities of hotels are accommodation, food and drink, leisure facilities, conferencing and banqueting, and business facilities.

Restaurants - The UK restaurant sector has an annual turnover of approximately £21bn and employs over 500,000 full time and part time staff.

Becoming a Chef

There are various roles within the kitchen and a successful YA student will usually follow a particular career path.

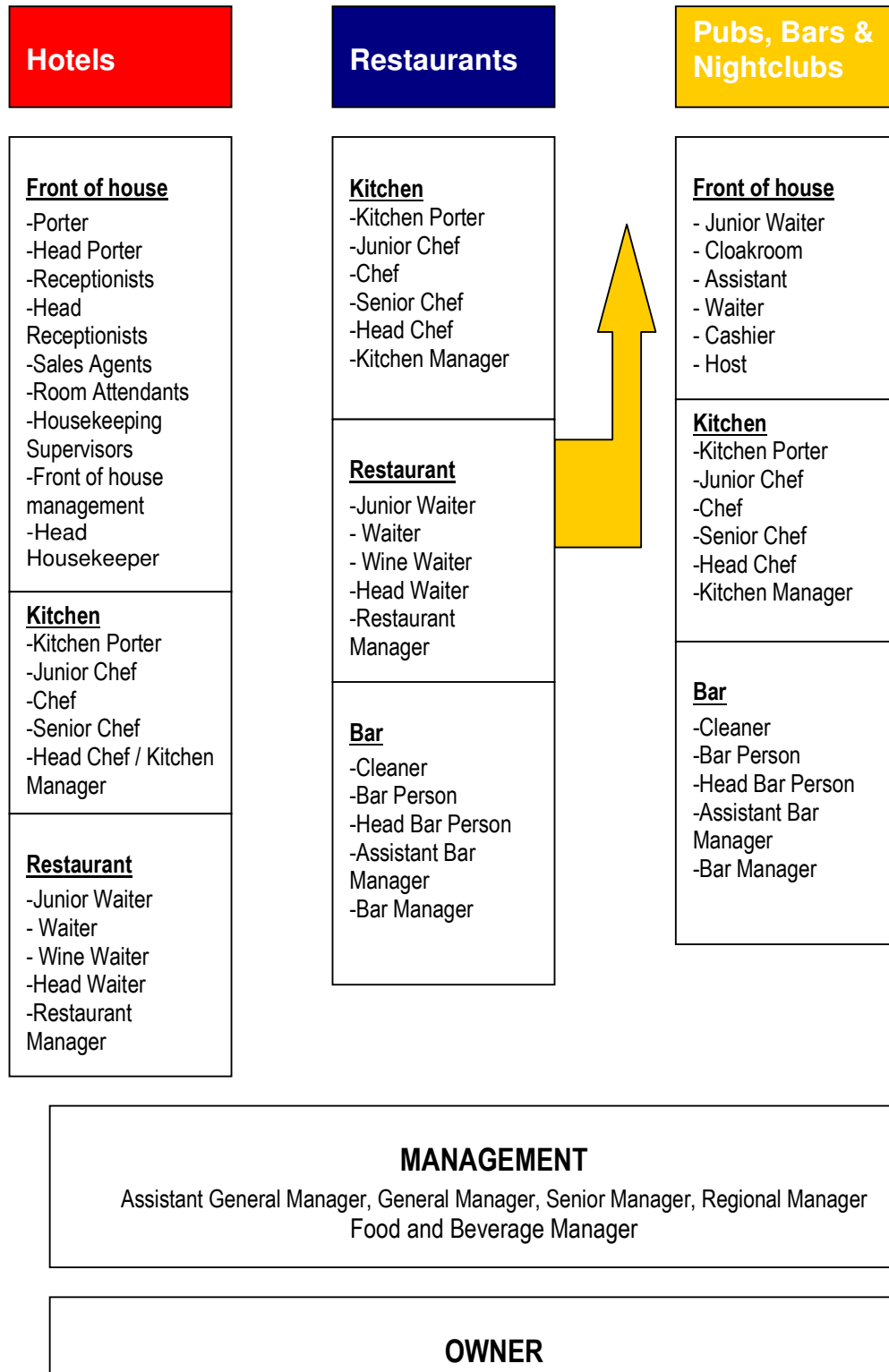
A *commis chef* is a junior chef who is in the kitchen to learn his or her trade. They will learn about each section of the kitchen and how to use the equipment safely.

After a time as a commis chef there is the option of becoming a *chef de partie*. A chef de partie is in charge of a particular section of a kitchen and will be responsible for the staff and the smooth running of that section.

A *head chef* is usually the career role that most chefs would like to finally achieve. It is the head chef's responsibility to run the whole of the kitchen, and they will order food, plan menus and manage budgets.

To work in a kitchen an individual will have to not mind working in a busy, noisy, hot environment. They will have to enjoy repeatedly preparing and cooking various dishes, be interested in food, like being part of a team and be able to stay calm in stressful situations.

Working as a chef can be very rewarding and a commis chef may earn from £11,000 per annum, if they work hard earnings as a head chef can be in excess of £50,000 per annum.



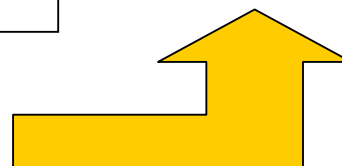
Whilst Hotels, Restaurants, Pubs, Bars and Nightclubs are the businesses we most often associate with the sector there are other equally exciting jobs to be looked at.

Tourism
<p><u>Tourist Board</u> -Tourism Executive -Tourism Manager -Tourism Director</p>
<p><u>Tourist Information Centre</u> -Tourism Information Officer -Tourism Information supervisor -Tourism Information Manager</p>
<p><u>Local Authority Tourism</u> -Tourism Assistant -Tourism Officer -Senior Tourism Officer -Local Authority Tourism Manager</p>
<p><u>Tour Guides</u> -Local / General Guide -Green Badge -Blue Badge -Tour Manager -Marketing Officer</p>

Events
<p><u>Events Co-ordination</u> -Assistant Events Co-ordinator -Events Co-ordinator -Venue Manager</p>
<p><u>Exhibit Co-ordination</u> - Assistant Exhibitions Co-ordinator -Exhibitions Co-ordinator -Exhibitions Manager</p>
<p><u>Events Organisation</u> -Assistant Events Organiser -Events Organiser -Events Manager</p>

Becoming an Events Manager
 To become an events manger an individual will have usually worked as an assistant events organiser and as an events organiser. Whilst working as either of these roles many skills will have been acquired such as budgeting, people management, negotiation and communication skills, and customer care skills. These are just a few of the many attributes that an individual will need to successfully run a conference hall or business section of a hotel. Being an events manger requires imagination, a cool head and excellent planning and management skills.

An events manager can earn in excess of £40,000 per annum.



<p>Management Assistant General Manager, General Manager, Senior Manager, Regional Manager</p>
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These are just a few of the many careers available in hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism; however there are many more in the other associated sectors including Contract Catering, Holiday Parks, Visitor Attractions, Gaming and Membership Clubs.

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