

Supporting people with autism in Higher Education and into employment

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Students' experiences...



- Experiences of students with ASDs at University
- Experience of job-seeking

Group activity

- In your group, discuss either:
 - a. Resources available and practical strategies to support students with ASDs in Higher Education
 - or
 - b. Resources available and practical strategies to assist adults with ASDs to find employment

Effective practical strategies and resources to support individuals with ASDs

Resources available to assist Students in Higher Education



- Disabled Students Allowance
- National Autistic Society student support services
- <http://www.autism.org.uk/our-services/education-and-schools/post-16s/student-and-graduate-support/student-support.aspx>
- Disability Alliance
www.disabilityalliance.org/skill.htm
- Q4S
www.q4s.eu

Strategies to support students in Higher Education



- Pre-University sessions
- Mentoring - academic and social
- Awareness training for staff
- Institutional adaptations

Resources available to assist to find employment



- University Careers Advisor
- Disability Employment Advisor/Access to Work
- <http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/index.htm>
- Remploy
- <http://www.remploy.co.uk/>
- Local volunteer centre
- <http://www.volunteering.org.uk/>

Strategies to assist adults with ASDs to find employment



- Awareness training for employers
- Adjustments to recruitment process
- Employment preparation including workshops on preparing a CV, application forms and “unwritten” rules of the workplace.
- Interview preparation and practise
- Voluntary/ unpaid work in chosen field

Further information



Autism and Asperger Syndrome

NAS website: www.autism.org.uk

NAS helpline: 0808 800 4104

Prospects Employment and Student Support Service

www.autism.org.uk/prospects

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