

SECTOR FOCUS:

# Education in Greater Manchester

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The education sector includes different levels of education: primary, secondary, further and higher education. The key employers are universities, schools, colleges and independent training organisations.

While the majority of roles within Education are for teaching of some kind, there are many other types of job including administrators, learning support co-ordinators and teacher training staff.

## What jobs are available?

Typical jobs and starting annual salaries in the sector include:



TEACHING ASSISTANT  
**£11,700**



NURSERY & PRIMARY  
TEACHERS  
**£30,700**



CAREER ADVISER  
**£24,200**



SECONDARY EDUCATION  
TEACHING PROFESSIONAL  
**£35,000**

## Fast Facts

In Greater Manchester,  
Education is:



**2,600**  
employers



**23%**  
of businesses have  
50+ employees



**11%**  
growth in sector since 2005

In the sector:



**120,000**  
employees



Employment is concentrated in Manchester, but the sector is a major employer in every borough, especially Salford, Stockport and Wigan.



IT, literacy and numeracy skills will be required but there will also be future demand for skills relating to customer service, management and leadership.



## What companies are based in Greater Manchester?

Leading Education employers in Greater Manchester include:

- Assessment and Qualifications Alliance
- Bolton College
- Bury College
- Royal Northern School of Music
- Schools (via local authorities)
- Seashell Trust
- Stockport College
- The Manchester College
- Universities -  
The University of Manchester,  
University of Salford,  
The University of Bolton & Manchester Metropolitan University
- Wigan & Leigh College

## How do I get into the sector?

You can get into Education via a number of routes, including:

### ➤ COLLEGES

Most local authority websites list nearby colleges or try the National Careers Service 'Find a course' tool at: <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/course-directory/home>.

### ➤ UNIVERSITIES

The majority of university level courses are listed on the UCAS website. To search for relevant courses go to: [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com).

### ➤ TRAINING PROVIDERS

Many local training providers are listed on the Greater Manchester Apprenticeship Hub website at: <http://theapprenticeshiphub.co.uk/regional-map/> or you can search using the 'Find a course' tool listed above.

### ➤ APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS

For general information or to search for vacancies try the National Apprenticeships service at: <https://www.gov.uk/apprenticeships-guide>.

## How do I find out more?

For more information, go to:

### NATIONAL CAREERS SERVICE

➤ <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk>

### DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION

➤ [www.education.gov.uk](http://www.education.gov.uk)