



At the Growth Company Education and Skills we understand that learning and development is essential for businesses to innovate and thrive and we are passionate about delivering a high-quality service.

We understand that an apprenticeship is a commitment for both you and your employee, which is why we design our apprenticeship programmes to complement the day to day running of your business.

Our team of industry experts will work closely with you to ensure you and your apprentice receive the support they need to succeed. From our initial business training consultation through to completion and progression, we are with you every step of the way.

The apprenticeship journey is as much yours as it is the apprentice's, therefore we will provide you with all the tools you need to help them achieve. As you take responsibility for their learning, you will provide us with regular feedback on their performance, when they should progress and when you feel they are ready to take their end point assessment.

About this Apprenticeship Standard

Duration – 21 months (18 months training period plus up to 3 months for end-point assessment).

Minimum 6 hours per week off-the-job learning.

Entry requirements – Ideally, applicants will hold a GCSE grade A*-C/9-4 in maths and English or equivalent. Apprentices without Level 2 English and maths will need to achieve this level prior to completion of their Apprenticeship.

This apprenticeship standard is aimed at Human Resources (HR) Consultants or Business Partners who provide HR expertise within an organisation, typically to mid-level and senior managers.

Individuals in this role will lead the delivery of HR projects and solutions to business challenges, together with tailored HR advice to support the people-related priorities of the business. They will often be required to make decisions and recommendations on what the business can or should do in a specific situation, influencing managers to change their thinking as well as bringing best practice into the organisation.

This could be in a generalist role providing support across a range of HR areas or a specialist role, focusing on and having in-depth expertise in a specific area of HR.

The underpinning knowledge qualification for the programme is the CIPD Level 5 Associate Diploma in People Management.

Prior to starting this apprenticeship, it is mandatory that apprentices become a Student Member of the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD).

What is involved?

During the apprenticeship journey, learners develop their knowledge, skills and behaviours through both the employer and the Growth Company.

Here is an example of the apprenticeship journey:

- 1. Pre-enrolment, role-scoping, initial assessment and onboarding
- 2. On and off-the-job learning
- 3. Preparation for end-point assessment
- 4. End-point assessment completion
- 5. Achievement and next steps

Off-the-job training is learning which is undertaken outside of the normal day-to-day working environment and leads toward the achievement of an apprenticeship. Off-the-job training must be directly relevant to the apprentice's programme.

Apprentices will be required to attend approximately twelve half-day online tutor-led workshops which cover the following areas:

- Professional behaviours and valuing people (selfstudy)
- · Organisational performance and culture in practice
- Evidence-based practice
- · Employment relationship management
- Talent management and workforce planning
- · Reward for performance and contribution
- · Specialist employment law

In addition to the online monthly workshops, apprentices will be required to attend monthly one-to-one coaching sessions with industry experts.

Apprentices will be required to complete seven written assignments (3900 - 4550 words per assignment).

Self-study activities are available 24/7 via our online learning platform.

End-Point Assessment

End-point assessment (EPA) is the final stage of an apprenticeship. It is an impartial assessment of whether your apprentice has developed the skills, knowledge and behaviours outlined in the apprenticeship standard. Assessments are designed by employers in the sector and are conducted by independent bodies known as end-point assessment organisations (EPAOs).

There are two elements to the EPA for this apprenticeship standard:





Next Steps

On successful completion of the Level 5 HR Consultant/ Partner Apprenticeship, apprentices can apply to become an Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD). Chartered Membership can be achieved through further qualifications or experience-based assessment.

Funding and the Apprenticeship Levy

Funding band value: £7,000

If you DO NOT pay the apprenticeship levy, you pay 5% towards the cost of training and assessing your apprentice. The government will pay the rest (95%) up to the funding band maximum. They'll pay it directly to the training provider.

If you pay the apprenticeship levy, you'll get funds to spend on training and assessing your apprentices. The government will add 10%.

You can get £1,000 to support your apprentice in the workplace if they are one of the following:

- 16 to 18 years old
- 19 to 25 years old with an education, health and care plan
- 19 to 25 years old and they used to be in care

If your apprentice is eligible, we will give you the payment in 2 instalments of £500. You will get the first payment after 90 days and the second one after a year.

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