



Apprentice Case Study

Heather Bonnyman

Heather Bonnyman started her Apprenticeship at Fairfield Control Systems in 2018, she is currently completing a Chartered Manager Degree at Sheffield Hallam University.

Heather Believes:

“Apprenticeships are an excellent way of combining both education and work experience. Implementing what you have learnt straight away into the workplace helps you impact and grow with your company.”

Heather’s Apprenticeship Journey:

I never had a clear career goal after achieving my GCSEs at school. I found the thought of another two years at sixth form and exams daunting. But my very limited work experience and no higher-level qualifications restricted my employability for jobs that could provide lifelong career opportunities. I completed a Level 3 diploma at college, however my indecisiveness on a career deterred me from continuing to university, so I decided it was time to finally enter the world of work full time. After three years I felt I had reached the furthest I was able to progress within my employment. I applied for an apprenticeship at Fairfield Control Systems unaware of the opportunities an apprenticeship could provide. This for me has combined the best of both worlds: the educational route of working towards a degree and full-time employment gaining valuable work experience!