

Where Are They Now?



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Currently: Working as a CNC Operator for AESSEAL

What have you been up to since leaving Winterhill?

I have been studying mechanical engineering at Rotherham College for the past three years and I am now working at AESSEAL.

What does your job involve?

Being a CNC Operator at AESSEAL involves creating various components which go together to create the mechanical seal (a seal is used in a range of pumps and equipment to stop liquids and gases escaping into the environment).

What hours do you work?

I work 40 hours per week with a variation of days and afternoons. On a day shift, I work from 6:00am until 4:00pm and on an afternoon shift, I work from 4:00pm until 2:00am. I attend college every Monday as I am still working towards my engineering qualifications.

What skills or qualities do you need?

You need to be a good team player, a generally sociable and interactive person and to know the balance between working hard and having fun at the same time.

Likes/Dislikes about the job

On the job learning is fantastic. I feel like a valued member of the working team and I have a great understanding of what goes into a seal.

What are your plans for the future?

I want to become an even better engineer and work my way up within the company.

Any tips for current Winterhill students?

Be yourself and work hard; having the right attitude and motivation will only make you better.

Good luck!