



**Your
FREE
Guide**

Here's What Medical Work Experience Is Actually For!

**What every parent of a future medic
needs to know before October.**



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You're here because you care about your child's future. You want to help them achieve their dream of becoming a doctor — without the stress, confusion, or endless Google searches.

I've spent 15 years working in health careers education and delivered workshops to hundreds of thousands of students, and this is the single biggest misconception I see parents and teens talk about every time when discussing work experience.

Here's the truth: "In-person" work experience isn't essential for a strong medical school application. What admissions teams really want is:

Evidence that your child has made an informed, reflective decision about medicine as a career.

Inside this guide, you'll discover exactly what med schools are looking for — and how the Medical Mavericks Discovery Academy makes sure your teen has every bit of evidence they need, ready to go, before the October UCAS deadline for medicine.

Take a look through the guide and see how we can help your teen get this sorted — once and for all.

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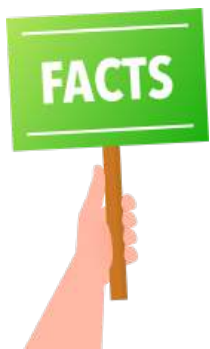
The Truth About Work Experience

It's Not About the Hours. It's About Insight & reflection.



"You need in person hospital or GP placements to impress medical schools."

Why is it a myth?: +60% of applicants can't get in person work experience. The NHS just can't accommodate the 30,000 applicants for med school who all want the same type of work experience! Medical schools know this, so they don't expect it.



Admissions teams look for students who can explain what they've learned about medicine — not just where they've been.

They want to see that they have made an informed decision about their career choice. The more they understand the role and demands, the less chance there is of dropping out... which 10% do in year 1!

★ What "Informed Decision" Really Means ★

- 1 They've explored a range of medical roles. Not just medicine
- 2 They can describe what surprised them or challenged their view about these roles and their expectations.
- 3 They can relate their experiences from work experience to their own strengths, choices & views.

The question is:

Can your teen demonstrate all three of these confidently?

See how on next page...



Turn Conversations into Evidence

So how does your teen demonstrate they've made an informed decision?

The answer lies in building one thing — a work experience portfolio.

Admissions teams can't just see enthusiasm — they need evidence.

Universities call this reflective evidence, and it's gold dust in UCAS statements and interviews.

The good news is, it's really easy to create! Here's what goes inside one:

-  Certificates: Show commitment — proof they've engaged with real medical professionals.
-  Reflections: Show self-awareness — your teen can explain what they learned, not just what they did.
-  UCAS Statement: Shows understanding — links their reflections and discoveries from the interviews to their own life experiences.
-  Progress Tracker: Shows consistency — evidence they've stuck with it, week after week.



Without a Portfolio

Hard to recall details when writing UCAS statement

Nothing visual to show interviewers

Feels like work experience chaos.



With a Portfolio

Every insight organised and ready to use.

Professional looking folder

Feels like a medical application with purpose!

So, how do you create your work experience portfolio?

See the next page to find out how our online virtual work experience platform, The Discovery Academy, creates your teen's entire work experience portfolio for them — structured, stress-free, and leaving them free to focus on their studies & extra-curricular activities.

Find out more about The Discovery Academy on the next page!

Everything you need to know about...

Key Facts

The Discovery Academy

- 12 hours of virtual work experience
- 6 essential medical topics
- 14 personalised certificates
- 1 year access for your teen
- Start immediately - no waiting

What is The Discovery Academy?



The Discovery Academy is our online platform for teens to access in depth & meaningful medical virtual work experience. They just login and explore 6 different topics to develop their understanding of key medical subjects including medicines, disease, medical equipment & interviews with medical professionals.

What Topics Are Covered in The Discovery Academy?

There's over 12 hours of fascinating content to explore in bite sized episodes ranging from 3 to 15 minutes long each. We have carefully selected the most popular and relevant content to give your teen a fascinating insight into the world of health and medicine.

The 6 Medical Topics Include...

Physiology & Disease

Diseases Covered

Emphysema
Heart Attacks
Fever & Infection

Medicines & Toxicology

Medicines Covered

Paracetamol
Aspirin
Warfarin

Career Insights

Careers Interviewed

Physician Associate
Andrology
Cancer Research Nurse
Cardiac Physiology
Genomics

More topics on next page...

Ultrasound Secrets

3 Heart Scans

Explore the heart from
3 different ultrasounds
PLAX View
PSAX View
Apical View

How Medical Kit Works

Kit Covered

X-Rays
MRI Scans
Blood Pressure
Machines

Application Prep

Topics Covered

UCAS Personal
Statement
Find the right
courses
& more...

Career Insights - 5 Interviews with medical professionals

In the Career Insights topic, there are 5 indepth interviews with real medical professionals that give your teen key insights into their roles and how they are involved in patient care. The roles range from patient facing careers, lab based roles to speciality doctors and nurses.

Your teen will also discover how medicines have their therapeutic effects & what happens at toxic doses. Plus they'll explore 3 different diseases and how they affect our normal physiology.

With Ultrasound Secrets they'll look at cardiac anatomy and physiology with video footage of the heart beating in real time. Plus we'll show them how medical kit works and what the results they produce mean.

Tom interviewing a
Cancer Research Nurse



And finally in Application Prep, there is a UCAS Personal Statement Masterclass, a tutorial on how to find the right courses for specific careers and two bonus interviews with student doctors.

**See final page on how to enrol your teen in
The Discovery Academy**

Don't just take our word for it...

Students and teachers across the UK are already seeing the difference

[redacted] 13:49 👍 1 ❤️ 2
Dr Tom should have his own TV show

[redacted] 14:02 👍 1
Dr Tom could give Prof Brian Cox and run !!

That was absolutely amazing thank you! 12:39

Claire

Thank you Tom, this was brilliant!

2:41

Ahh my pleasure! Delighted they all enjoyed it 😊

We are going to show it to year 11 as the science dept was sooo impressed! 12:39



Cirencester College

Fantastic session! Thanks very much Tom.



Mrs [redacted] - UAH

Thank you very much, we have really enjoyed it. The videos have been fantastic.

Liz [redacted]

Thank you! Amazing session - we learnt loads :)



Molly [redacted]

This was really incredible, thank you so much Tom!

[redacted] 13:52 👍 1

i think these sessions are better than normal science classes as i've learned so much already

9T6 Moorside High School
WOW!! That is amazing!

Liz [redacted]

Thank you! Amazing session - we learnt loads :)

Mr. Donovan

Exceptional, thank you! year 10 Photography enjoyed seeing a medical camera. even if they were a bit wimpy!

Mrs Johnson

one of them just said 'that's made my day' as she walked out!

Mrs Chamberlain

It's been brilliant, thank you so much. See you next week!

From **Miss Killick** to **All panelists**:

Thank you for the show! We didn't realise how many opportunities there are!

Mrs Chamberlain

Jack says it's the best thing he's ever watched

From **Z. Ali** to **All panelists**:

Thank you, it was fascinating for both the students and myself!

What your teen can access...

The Discovery Academy

Perfect for medical & health virtual work experience

- ✓ 12 Months to Complete
- ✓ 3 Physiology & Disease Topics
- ✓ 12 Hours of Engaging Content
- ✓ 3 How Med Kit Works Topics
- ✓ 5 Career Insight Interviews
- ✓ UCAS Statement Masterclass
- ✓ 3 Medicine & Toxicology Topics
- ✓ 14 Certificates to Download

Price: £197

Single payment or
2 equal instalments of £98.50 - 30 days apart.

**Work Experience
sorted for 54p
per day!**

12 months access - 12 hours of content - 14 certificates

Exams finish in weeks!

**The summer is the perfect time to get this done
before the October UCAS deadline.**

**Join The Discovery Academy Today - Instant Access
Head to the website or scan the QR Code to enrol today!**

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**You can also watch the 90-second academy tour video & content
snippets before enrolling your teen today.**