

Partnerships and Business Engagement

Lancaster Environment Centre Skills Development Programme

The LEC Skills Development Programme is an innovative scheme that is unique to Lancaster University. We are developing partnerships with local and national charitable and not for profit organisations to provide current students from Lancaster Environment Centre with volunteering opportunities, offering organisations the opportunity to work with skilled and enthusiastic volunteers. The organisations involved will benefit from having dedicated volunteers on hand to assist in their given role.

Purpose of the Programme

The LEC Skills Development Programme is a structured scheme of volunteering opportunities designed to enhance the employability skills and experiences of the students while here at Lancaster University.

Why get involved?

1. Have access to a regular supply of enthusiastic volunteers to assist you
2. Get to know your local university and students, and expand your network of contacts, allowing you to continually recruit new volunteers
3. Gain extra support for your particular client group or project
4. Make a difference to student's career prospects

What skills do the students have?

Students from Lancaster Environment Centre study a wide variety of degrees from Biology, Ecology and Conservation, Environmental and Earth Sciences, Geography and Natural Sciences. By studying these subject areas they will have developed skills in a range of areas, including;

- Research and data collection;
- Written and oral communication;
- GIS and other specialist technical knowledge;
- Data analysis;
- An understanding of local, national and global environmental issues;
- Project management;
- Independent working;
- Self-motivation;
- Time management.

To get involved

If you are interested in engaging with the programme and think that your organisation has some suitable volunteering opportunities for our students then please contact the Student Employability Team at scitech.futures@lancaster.ac.uk