

# National Grid ESO seeks next generation of bright sparks

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- **Apprenticeship programme seeking to recruit 16 high calibre people of any age**
- **Two-year programme offers foundation engineering degree qualification**
- **Starting salary of £24,999**
- **Permanent employment at end of programme**
- **Excellent long term career development opportunities**

National Grid ESO is to recruit 16 people to take part in its Trainee Power System Engineer Higher Apprenticeship Programme.

The apprentices will get an opportunity to study for a foundation degree in engineering whilst learning about the operations of the electricity system and helping build a greener energy future.

Successful applicants will start on a salary of £24,999 and will be based at one of the company's two main centres – Wokingham in Berkshire or Warwick in the Midlands.

Ofsted's most recent inspection of National Grid's Apprenticeship programmes graded the company as "Outstanding" for the third consecutive time. Technical training is delivered via national training centre, situated in Eakring, Nottinghamshire and is the only one of its kind in the UK. Centre facilities include fully equipped training rooms, state of the art practical training workshops and residential accommodation for the trainees.

Huma Ali, Head of Human Resources at National Grid ESO, said:

"At a time when young people can feel pressure to find engaging and exciting work opportunities, this apprenticeship programme is an amazing chance for people to take the first steps into their career.

"National Grid ESO wants to find the next generation of engineering problem-solvers, to help us lead the way to a net-zero carbon electricity grid of the very near future.

"This is a fantastic chance to earn a salary whilst gaining practical work experience and industry knowledge – plus receive a qualification at the end of it, without having to pay fees."

National Grid ESO is the electricity system operator for Great Britain. It is responsible for moving electricity around the system to keep homes and businesses supplied with the energy they need 24/7, always keeping supply and demand in perfect balance.

It has a key role to play in tackling climate change by transitioning GB's electricity system to net zero. It already operates the fastest decarbonising electricity system in the world. It is also working to deliver zero carbon operation for periods by 2025 and to ensure 100% clean, green generation on the system by 2035.

### **What do you need to apply?**

Applicants need to have achieved the following qualifications:

A GCSE in English Language and Maths at Grade C/4 or above (or equivalent) with one of the following:

- 2 A levels A\* - C (1 must be in either Maths or Physics)
- BTEC National Certificate or Diploma Level 3 in an Engineering discipline, Grade Merit or Distinction (Essential the Maths modules should be at Merit or Distinction)
- ONC in an Electrical discipline, Grade Merit or Distinction (Essential the Maths modules should be at Merit or Distinction)
- HNC/HND in Electrical, Electronic or Mechanical Engineering, Grade: Merit or Distinction
- Degree in Maths, Physics, Chemistry or Engineering discipline

Applicants must hold a valid full UK car driving licence or be willing to learn to drive and hold a full UK licence 3 months before the start date.

The closing date for applications is Sunday 13th March 2022.

To apply, please visit:

[Warwick](#)

[Wokingham](#)

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