

Brett Thomas



Business Administration Trainee

As I did not want to continue learning in the classroom working towards 'A' levels, the AgustaWestland Business Administration Programme offered me the opportunity to learn and earn in a working environment. At the same time, I have been able to gain experience and take on board knowledge from the many people I have worked with in a variety of departments within the Company, such as the Training Department. This placement provided a great opportunity to meet new people and gain confidence in an office environment. The area as a whole had a friendly atmosphere and my 3-month placement enabled me to learn some of the job roles within the department such as managing room bookings for internal and external customers, updating employee's training records and managing sickness and holiday. The Training Department also offered me the opportunity to take part in special projects and events such as the Bath and West Show and Parents Evening.

I would definitely recommend work-based learning in AgustaWestland. Even though I was nervous and apprehensive when I first started, with help and encouragement from my Training Officer, along with self-motivation and hard work, I have gained confidence and learnt new skills, which in the end paid off with me winning Business Administration Trainee of the Year. This programme, combined with a half-day release to College, has given me the opportunity to obtain the qualifications, financial rewards and experience needed for a successful career in Business.