

## Introduction to Career Comp@nion Extra and Career Comp@nion

### Career Comp@nion Extra

*Career Comp@nion Extra* is a VLE/Intranet compliant service designed to support Career Leaders in the management, maintenance and delivery of all their CEIAG activities. It can be administered at Area or Local level by a convenient 'date sensitive' content management system, which guarantees your library is always up to date. This Career Comp@nion bespoke option logs in automatically to your own Teachers/Advisers and/or Student and Parent portal, with easy access to Local, Regional and National News and Notices, as well as selected deeplinks to the full Career Comp@nion service.

### Further Benefits and Features - Unique Selling Points.

- Includes National independent and impartial oversight of web-based careers learning and training information – over 8,000 web links!
- LMI for All widget + Regional LMI (Emsi Reports + Other Regional data as available)
- Regional Apprenticeship vacancies – targeted at local schools and college catchments.
- CV Creator tool (includes Security Certificate – for GDPR compliance)
- Includes any web-based 3rd party media i.e. e-Clips/Fast Tomato etc.
- Higher Education A-Z – now includes direct links to Higher/Degree Apprenticeships
- **Classroom Activities x60 Gatsby KS3, KS4 and Post 16 lesson plans**
- SEND versions include x50 *On the Spot* Classroom activity and research Careers leaflets for non-exam/low achievers
- FREE Extra Gatsby Library for sharing good practice
- FREE - Customised Career Companion Poster Designs
- FREE maintenance and staff training/refresher training

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### Career Comp@nion – available for national sponsorship.

*Career Comp@nion* is a FREE impartial and mediated review service of Careers, Learning and Support Information websites. This National and, where appropriate, European and International service is complemented by regular News bulletins and occasional supporting articles. It has been designed to help and support people of all ages at life's key transitions from Year 9 (Age 13-14) pupils in school right through to adults planning for retirement. Users are offered access to four portals: Student (13-19), Graduate, Career Changer and Adviser (Teacher/Parent). The site is maintained and updated by a team of professionals working in career guidance, education and information.

Our review and editorial team looks for the positive features in each site to help you locate reliable information quickly and decide if a site is worth visiting and exploring. Sites are selected for their

quality, usefulness, appropriateness of content and impartiality. The reviewers also assign icons to indicate the type and range of information at a glance. This is particularly helpful for researching or comparing sites in greater depth.

Any sites that do not meet our strict criteria for Reviews may be included as 'Recommended' (if they nevertheless have useful content and/or further sources of related information). The 'Submit a Site' facility allows users to suggest any sites they would like to see included in *Career Comp@nion*. Reviews and URLs are checked and new sites added regularly to ensure they are up to date. *Career Comp@nion* was awarded the Career Assured quality mark for careers resources by the Career Development Institute in 2015. The Award demonstrates that *Career Comp@nion* meets the CDI's strict standards of quality against clear and transparent criteria.



### **Web Design and Developers**

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Several contributors are also members of the Careers Writers Association (CWA) – an association for highly experienced careers writers with vast experience of writing articles, books and other materials for the 14-25 age group. Many are also highly experienced and qualified careers advisers who have worked in schools, colleges and universities in the UK and overseas. The CWA site *Parental Guidance* [www.parentalguidance.org.uk](http://www.parentalguidance.org.uk) gives parents and carers the help and information they need to support young people during their transition to adult working life. There are up-to-the-minute and well-researched articles by the country's leading careers writers.

We also provide web-based training, careers, learning and support resources to a number of third party organisations. See Ordering Options for subscriptions and discounting arrangements for Career Comp@nion Extra. Further details can be obtained at [feedback@careercompanion.co.uk](mailto:feedback@careercompanion.co.uk) or by phone 00 44(0) 1256 327478. We will respond to your enquiry within three working days.

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