COMPANY GRADUATE SCHEME

Fairly simple, 2-3 year contracts. There may be 2 or 3 posts undertaken, possibly on a number of sites plus extra central training or support provided over the period by the company. On completion usually offered a permanent role in a technical or other field.

KEY FEATURES

Typical Role Names

- Technical Graduate Scheme
- Retail Graduate Scheme
- Graduate Scheme

So What is Desirable for a Company Graduate Scheme?

There are standards for the technical content of Food Sciences degrees; but there are more aspects you can develop to support success in the workplace. **14 typical graduate roles types** have been identified & this is one of them. Industry have outlined what they think may be the most valuable skills, knowledge and behaviours for this role. They are outlined in **8 themes** then more detail is provided on specific **elements**. Below is the profile for this role.

Desirable Themes for this Role

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Company Graduate Schemes usually require a person to take on a variety of roles and demonstrate a wide range of qualities. As such most of the themes were identified with some level of desirability so balance is a key factor here.

Desirable Elements for this Role

- Acceptance of Ambiguity
- Adaptability
- Cultural Sensitivity
- Decision Making
- Leadership
- Passion for Subject

- Personal Responsibility
- Positive Attitude
- Self-Development
- Self-Motivated
- Teamworking
- Working Under Pressure

For more details on these themes, please see the summary sheet.

Competencies for Food Graduate Careers

Find out about more technical graduate roles in the food industry and what may be best suited to you in developing your career on (web link to be added in near future)

This material has been developed with full food and drink industry involvement to support new graduates, employers and degree educators.

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