# Ivybridge Community College Career of the Week



#### **Autumn Term**

Job Title: Landscape Gardener / Designer

Salary: £20,000 - £26,000 (experienced)

Working Hours: 38 - 42 hours per week, you may work weekends and flexibly dependent on weather. In this job you could help the environment by using peat free compost / wildlife planting / using rainwater recycling systems / encouraging wildlife habitats, etc.

# How Can I Get There? / Routes of Entry:

- Colleges (Diploma in Horticulture, T Level in Land Management, etc.)
- Apprenticeship (Landscape / Horticulture Construction Operative or Supervisor Apprenticeships)

#### **Local Providers:**

- Duchy College
- Bicton College
- South Devon College

# **Skills Required:**

- Most employers will expect you to have some knowledge and experience in gardening or horticulture
- The ability to work well with others as you may be part of a gardening team
- Physical skills like movement, coordination, dexterity and grace
- Customer service skills for working with clients
- Ambition and a desire to succeed
- Physical fitness and endurance
- The ability to work well with your hands
- Patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations

# **Local Employers:**

- YGS Landscapes
- Four Seasons Landscaping
- Greenwoods Landscaping Ltd

# **Progression:**

With further training and experience you could move into a specialist area such as arboriculture / permaculture / greenkeeping / conservation / forestry. You could move into management or training. You could set up your own business or specialize in garden design.