You have been sent this questionnaire because you completed a higher education qualification between 1 January and 31 July 2014. Further information on the purpose of the survey and the use that will be made of the information you provide is included in the letter you received with this questionnaire.

‘Tick boxes’ which look like this require you to tick ONE ANSWER ONLY for those questions.

‘Tick boxes’ which look like this require you to tick ALL THE ANSWERS WHICH APPLY TO YOU.

SECTION A  What will you be doing on 12 January 2015?

Q1 On 12 January 2015 will you be...?

Please tick ALL the activities you will be doing on 12 January 2015 and then indicate which ONE of them is most important to you.

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SECTION B  Your employment on 12 January 2015

If you will be working (including self-employed/freelance, voluntary or other unpaid work, developing a professional portfolio/creative practice or an internship/placement) on 12 January 2015 please continue with this section. If not go to SECTION C.

Q2  If you will have more than one job on 12 January 2015, how many jobs will you have in total?    

For the following questions, please provide details of what you consider will be your MAIN job. Your main job might be the one that you will spend the most time doing, the one which will pay you the most money or is related to your future plans.

Q3  What will your job title be?  (If self-employed or freelance, please record this in your job title e.g. self-employed musician.)  

Q4  What do you mainly do in your job?  

Q5  Which of the following best describes the basis on which you will be employed on 12 January 2015?  

- Self-employed/freelance  
- Starting up own business  
- Voluntary work  
- On an internship/placement  
- Developing a professional portfolio/creative practice  
- On a permanent or open-ended contract  
- On a fixed-term contract lasting 12 months or longer  
- On a fixed-term contract lasting less than 12 months  
- Temping (including supply teaching)  
- Other  

Q6  What will your annual pay be for your main employment to the nearest thousand (£) before tax?  

Q7  If you will be working part-time in your main job, approximately how many hours a week will you work?  

Q8  If this is not your only employment on 12 January 2015, what do you estimate your total earnings will be for a year to the nearest thousand (£) before tax?  

Q9  What is the name of the company/organisation you will be working for?  (If you got the job that you will be doing through an agency, please provide the name of your place of work on 12 January 2015 and not the name of the agency.)  

Q10  What does the company/organisation you will be working for mainly do (e.g. software design, primary school education)?  

Q11  Where will your place of work be and, if in the UK, what is the postcode?  

- Town/city/area  
- Country if not in the UK  
- Postcode (UK ONLY)  

Q12  Did you need the qualification you recently obtained to get the job you will be doing on 12 January 2015 (the actual qualification, not the subject of study)?  

- Yes: the qualification was a formal requirement  
- Yes: while the qualification was not a formal requirement it did give me an advantage  
- No: the qualification was not required  
- Don't know  

Q13  As far as you are aware, what was most important to your employer about your qualification?  

- The subject(s) studied  
- The level of study  
- Sandwich/work experience (gained as part of my course)  
- No one thing was most important  
- Don't know
Q14 Why did you decide to take the job you will be doing on 12 January 2015? Please tick ALL the reasons why you decided to take the job and then indicate the ONE MAIN reason for your decision.

- It fitted into my career plan/it was exactly the type of work I wanted
- It was the best job offer I received
- It was the only job offer I received
- It was an opportunity to progress in the organisation
- To see if I would like the type of work it involved
- To gain and broaden my experience in order to get the type of job I really want
- It was in the right location
- The job was well-paid
- In order to earn a living/pay off debts

Q15 How did you first find out about this job?

- Your university/college Careers Service
- Other university/college source (e.g. lecturer, website)
- Media (e.g. newspaper/magazine advertisement)
- Personal contacts, including family and friends
- Social media/professional networking sites
- Already worked there (including on an internship/placement)
- Employer’s website
- Recruitment agency/website
- Speculative application
- Other

Q16 Thinking still about your employer on 12 January 2015, did you work for this employer before or during the programme of study you recently completed?

- Yes: before my programme of study
- Yes: during my programme of study
- Yes: before and during my programme of study
- No

Q17 In which of the ways listed below did you work for this employer? Please tick all that apply.

- On a sandwich placement
- On another kind of placement or project work
- As a holiday job
- Full-time or part-time work all year round
- Full-time or part-time work during term time
- On an internship
- In other ways

SECTION C  Newly qualified teacher status only

Complete this section if the qualification you completed between 1 January and 31 July 2014 gave you newly qualified teacher status in the UK. If not, please tick and go to SECTION D.

Q18 Will you be employed as a teacher on 12 January 2015?

- Yes
- No

Q19 Will you be employed as a teacher through the GTC Scotland Teacher Induction Scheme?

- Yes
- No

Q20 Will you be teaching in a state-funded or non-state-funded school or college?

- State-funded school or college
- Both state-funded and non-state-funded school or college
- Non-state-funded school or college
- Not known

Q21 Will you be teaching at the primary or secondary phase or in a college or other educational establishment?

- Primary
- Secondary
- Both primary and secondary
- College
- College (e.g. 6th Form) or other educational establishment

Q22 If you will not be employed as a teacher on 12 January 2015 or will be on a temporary teaching contract, will you be seeking a teaching post on 12 January 2015?

- Yes
- No
SECTION D  Your further study, training or research
If you will be undertaking any further study or training or will be registered as a research student on 12 January 2015, please continue with this section. If not please go to SECTION E.

For the following questions, please provide details of what you consider will be your MAIN study, training or research. Your main study, training or research might be the one you will spend the most time doing, or the one which is related to your future plans.

Q23  Which of the following best describes the type of qualification you will be aiming for?

- Higher degree, mainly by research (e.g. PhD, DPhil, MPhil)  [01]
- First degree (e.g. BA, BSc, MBChB, MEng)  [04]
- Higher degree, mainly by taught course (e.g. MA, MSc, MBA)  [02]
- Other diploma or certificate  [05]
- Postgraduate diploma or certificate (including PGCE)  [03]
- Other qualification  [07]
- Professional qualification (e.g. ACA, Chartered Institute of Marketing)  [06]
- Not aiming for a formal qualification  [98]

Q24  What is the name of the course you will be registered on (e.g. MSc in Interactive Media)?

Q25  What subject will you be studying, training in or researching?

Q26  What is the name of the university or college at which you will be registered?

Q27  How will you be mainly funding your study, training or research?

- Self-funding (e.g. savings/loans/employment)  [01]
- Sponsorship  [03]
- Grant or award (e.g. Research Council Studentship, bursary(s))  [02]
- Other  [05]
- My employer provided financial support (e.g. course fees, provision of study leave)  [04]

SECTION E  Your overall higher education experience

How well did your recent course and any extra-curricular activities you were involved in (including placements undertaken while you were studying)...

Q28  Prepare you for employment?

- Very well  [1]
- Well  [2]
- Not very well  [3]
- Not at all  [4]
- Can't tell  [5]

Q29  Prepare you for further study?

- Very well  [1]
- Well  [2]
- Not very well  [3]
- Not at all  [4]
- Can't tell  [5]

Q30  Prepare you for being self-employed/freelance or for starting up your own business?

- Very well  [1]
- Well  [2]
- Not very well  [3]
- Not at all  [4]
- Can't tell  [5]

SECTION F  Thank you for completing this questionnaire

Before you submit this form, please take a few minutes to ensure that you have completed ALL the questions which apply to you and that you have completed them accurately. PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED.

You may be contacted as part of a follow-up survey planned for three years' time. If you do not want to be included please tick here.

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