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We are delighted to welcome 12 chartered accountancy firms to this year’s ICAEW Speed Meet at the University of Surrey. Please take full advantage of this opportunity; these organisations are here to offer you their time and expertise so that you can ask questions and discuss your career options. A little forward planning will help you take full advantage of the event.

Top tips

- Research the organisations in advance, read this guide and look at the websites.
- Formulate some thoughts on what you are looking for.
- Think of some intelligent questions to ask.
- Bring your CV. The organisations may be prepared to comment on it.
- Have a pen and paper ready to note down the names and contact details of the people you talk to so that you can follow up.
- Dress smartly!
- Approach confidently and don’t forget to smile!

Questions you could ask...

- If you were looking to recruit a new graduate, which skills and qualities would you be looking for?
- How did you get your first job?
- What attracted you to the organisation you currently work for?
- What does a typical day / week / year involve in your job?
- What opportunities exist for future progression?
- How has your degree course helped you in your career?
- If you were starting at University again, what would you do to make yourself more employable?
- What type of work experience does your organisation offer?
- What is the best and worst thing about your job?
- What were the main challenges of moving from University to work?
- Did you do a placement at University and if so, how did it help you with your career?
- What do you find most challenging about your job?

Organisations attending the ICAEW Speed Meet

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