

# KIRSTIE ELEY

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## WHAT LEVEL APPRENTICESHIP ARE YOU STUDYING

I am currently enrolled in a Hearing Aid Audiology apprenticeship with Anglia Ruskin University. Upon completion, I will attain a Foundation Degree and become a qualified Hearing Aid Dispenser.

## WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO STUDY AN APPRENTICESHIP?

I chose to study an apprenticeship as I wanted to be able to combine working with learning. This approach allows me to further my career while still making a meaningful impact by helping people.

## HOW HAS STUDYING AN APPRENTICESHIP PREPARED YOU FOR THE WORLD OF WORK? (SKILLS FOR LIFE)

Studying an apprenticeship has equipped me for the working world by allowing me to learn on the job. This is invaluable, considering the unique nature of each client, and it helps in translating theory into practice. The course also includes a module on Understanding the Working Sector, providing awareness of how other companies or NHS trusts operate.

## DO YOU ENJOY YOUR APPRENTICESHIP?

I am thoroughly enjoying the apprenticeship as it aligns with my passion for learning and has introduced me to a diverse group of people. Progressing through the course with students from various backgrounds has been beneficial, allowing us to share knowledge and experiences.

## HOW WAS THE PROCESS OF APPLYING/STARTING AN APPRENTICESHIP?

Applying for the apprenticeship was a straightforward process, with the university staff offering helpful guidance throughout. Initially, starting the course felt daunting as it took some time to establish a working routine alongside completing coursework. However, after completing the first semester, my time management skills have significantly improved.