

The Impact of Sports Coach Apprenticeships

Coach Core is an employment and education charity that uses a community sports apprenticeship to support young adults become qualified sports coaches and to gain employment

Coach Core is an innovative and engaging sports coaching apprenticeship being delivered across a number of UK cities, including Bristol. By harnessing a number of qualifications, experiences and additional learning opportunities, Coach Core's goal is to ensure each apprentice goes onto further education or employment and provides greater coaching provision in the communities in which they serve.

Targeting 16-24 year olds who are not in education or employment, Coach Core delivers an inclusive and impactful apprenticeship that develops the talents of young people and provides them with a range of vital skills for sport, work and life.

Wesport acted as the local central partner and work alongside the Coach Core Foundation, Lifetime Training, and local employers to manage, coordinate and deliver the Bristol programme, during 2017-2022.





We caught up with Nathaniel, a Year 1 Graduate to learn more about his experience of Coach Core: 1. Why did you get involved in Coach Core?

I got involved with Coach Core to better myself as a sports coach and aim to support others.

- 2. What did you gain from the programme? I gained a huge amount of confidence and multiple qualifications in and around fitness to add to my skills.
- 3. What have you done since you graduated? I gained a FT position with my employer, as a coach and assistant sports hall manager. I'm also looking to further my abilities by taking more courses in management and coaching.
- 4. What would be your advice to anyone else considering a sports coach apprenticeship?

 To get involved and find out what area you can be successful in and pursue it ambitiously to see where it takes you.