



Working in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office: my career journey



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What is a Diplomat?





Which of these jobs is *not* in the Foreign Office or Civil Service?

Government Minister



Policy Adviser

Chief Mouser



Spy

Bomb-disposal expert



Bee-keeper

Oil and gas rig inspector





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>> *The FCO is the government department that leads on British Foreign Policy* <<

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countries in which we are based (and growing)

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diplomatic posts worldwide

>> *We are made up of over 14,000 staff* <<





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168

countries in which we are
based (and growing)

274

diplomatic posts
worldwide



My Career





HM Government

Routes into the Civil Service and FCO



Civil Service
Fast Stream

Diplomatic
Service



GCSEs

Civil Service Fast Track Apprenticeship Scheme

(Outside of London your minimum salary will be £19,500 and maximum £27,000. London will receive a minimum of £22,000.)

FCO Apprenticeship programme

(mainly in Business Administration, Finance and Human Resources)

During University

Early Diversity Internship Programme

(one week expenses paid)

Summer Diversity Internship Programme

(6-9 weeks at £300-£350 per week)

After University

Civil Service Fast Stream

(including Diplomatic Service, with a £28,000 starting salary)

FCO Graduate Internship programme

(~£24,500 starting salary)

Any time

Direct entry roles

(via www.civilservicejobs.service.gov.uk)



Find out more and stay in touch

For job opportunities and updates:

- 'Working for the FCO' pages, www.gov.uk
- Civil Service Jobs, www.civilservicejobs.service.gov.uk
- Civil Service Fast Stream, www.faststream.gov.uk

Find out more about a career in all government departments:

- Civil Service Careers, www.civil-service-careers.gov.uk

Other information and social media:

- FCO blogs, www.blogs.fco.gov.uk
- @fcocareers and @foreignoffice, Twitter
- @ukforeignoffice, Instagram
- FCO on YouTube and Facebook
- Visit the FCO during Open House this September!





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