



Skills Support for the Unemployed

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The course has changed my life!

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Project: Skills Support for the Unemployed

Location: Hertfordshire

Job Outcome: Apprenticeship with HCMA

Shajidur Kamali, from Stevenage, had been laid off work and was finding it hard to get a new position. With his future uncertain, he needed help and advice with writing his CV and developing his employability skills.

His sister had done the Employment coaching with Harmony Coaching and Mentoring Avenues which is managed by TCHC and financed by the European Social Fund. She recommended the Skills Support for the Unemployed programme as she recognized that it would provide valuable support to help Shajidur get a job.

Shajidur had an initial Information, Advice and Guidance session with his personal adviser where they discussed his plans for the future. Then he attended a CV workshop where he learned about how to write a really good CV and tailor it to every job applied for.

At first, Shajidur was a little daunted by the course because of his lack of business knowledge. However, he found that his adviser broke down the information into manageable chunks making it easy for him to understand. He also benefited from being with other learners who were in a similar situation, so he could share his ideas and experiences with them. This helped to put him at ease as he learned about all the different areas of business, including finance and marketing. The more he learned from the course, the more enjoyable he found it.

He believes the course has changed him; he has bettered himself and improved his career prospects. The course has given him a clearer understanding of the fundamentals of business and a new found confidence in his professional abilities. He has gained vast amounts of knowledge and has received valuable information to help him become more successful and improve his future career prospects.

As a result of the course, he found a position as an admin apprentice with HCMA which will open up a lot of opportunities for him in the future! He also has the knowledge and skills to set up his own business if he chooses to in the future.

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