

NG Bailey IT Services looks to transform UK's connectivity with next generation of talent

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The IT Services business of **NG Bailey** has launched a new apprenticeship program designed to help train the next generation of talent who will support the UK's transition to the latest digital connectivity, including 5G, Unified Communications, Structured cabling, WiFi and Data networking technologies.

The new apprenticeship scheme, which launches this week, will be the first scheme run by the IT Services arm of NG Bailey, the country's largest independent engineering and services business, in over a decade. It follows the wider Group's success in developing the talent of tomorrow across its other business areas, having trained over 5,700 people, across nine decades.

The apprenticeship scheme includes both Cabling and Digital Technical Solutions pathways, which will be delivered in partnership with Dudley College and Staffordshire University respectively. The Cabling course which is a level 3, 36 month agreement, will provide those who take part with the skills to design, install and maintain structured cabling systems for NG Bailey client projects.

The Digital Technical Solutions apprenticeship is a first for NG Bailey and will offer successful candidates a paid for, level 6, degree BSc (Hons) Digital & Technology Solutions qualification via Staffs Uni focused on a career in data network engineering. Candidates will undertake their degree with full support from NG Bailey and will come out of the programme understanding all aspects of design, installation and management of customers data networks and how to secure them.

Kelly Tedesco, managing director of NG Bailey's IT Services business, said: "Earlier this year we announced

our plans to grow the turnover of the business by over 42% over the next two years. However, to achieve these ambitions we understand that we need to be developing the talent of tomorrow.

“We are really excited to be launching these apprenticeships and to welcome the first cohort in summer 2023. As a business, NG Bailey has been offering industry leading apprenticeships for almost a century and I’m pleased that as the IT Services division prepares for the next stage of its growth, we are able to create opportunities for future focused apprenticeships for the next generation.”

Sam Young, operations director at NG Bailey’s IT Services business added: “We’re committed to developing the next generation of talent as this not only has clear benefits for ourselves, but also the wider industry and UK plc. Alongside our partnerships with both Staffordshire University and Dudley College, we offer a range of apprenticeships that offer people clear career pathways that help them achieve their long-term ambitions.”

Maighread Hegarty, associate dean of apprenticeships at Staffordshire University said: “We’re delighted to be entering into partnership with one of the UK’s leading independent engineering and services businesses and pleased that companies like NG Bailey are seeing how Degree Apprenticeships can benefit their businesses both in terms of productivity and in upskilling existing members of their workforce.”

The apprenticeships are open to anyone over the age of 16 subject to meeting the entry requirements for more information visit <https://www.ngbailey.com/working-with-us/apprenticeships>.