Centre for Learning and Teaching: 
Resources on Employability

Edge Hill University

The obvious starting point is Edge Hill's Careers Service: 
http://www.edgehill.ac.uk/careers/

The following documents are worth looking at: 
- Careers Education, Information, Advice & Guidance: institutional policy & strategy 
- A Guide for All staff
- Information for Tutors

There is also useful information on Centre for Learning and Teaching (CLT) website: 
http://www.edgehill.ac.uk/clt/homepage/about/

The following documents are worth looking at (under 'Strategies and Policies'): 
- Personal Development Planning Element of Progress Files 
- Personal Tutoring

Websites

Prospects: http://www.prospects.ac.uk
The UK's official graduate careers website. This website provides careers advice, job and work experience opportunities, information about different career opportunities and information about postgraduate study. Other jobs search sites such as Wikijob and monster also includes careers advice and information.

Higher Education Careers Service Unit (HECSU): http://www.hecsu.ac.uk/
HECSU provides information about research and developments in career-related learning and career guidance in higher education. The website includes: 
Real Prospects: This explores students' and graduates' experiences of the world of work.
Graduate Market Trends: This explores contemporary debates in higher education, graduate employment and career learning.

Futuretrack: This explores how, when, and why students make career decisions.

PROP: This section includes useful reports by practitioners.

Association for Graduate Careers Advisory Services (AGCAS): [http://www.agcas.org.uk/](http://www.agcas.org.uk/)
AGCAS is the professional association for HE careers practitioners and those involved in the provision of careers and employability education, information, advice and guidance (CEIAG) to current or prospective HE students and graduates. On the website the resource section is particularly useful.

The Higher Education Academy (HEA): [http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/employability](http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/employability)
This link takes you to the employability section which hosts a substantial resource bank covering topics such as approaches to learning and teaching, work based learning, links to industry, reflecting on work place experience, issues for postgraduate students, etc.

Unistats: [http://unistats.direct.gov.uk/](http://unistats.direct.gov.uk/)
The official website for comparing UK higher education. It includes data statistics on the type of jobs graduates obtain and their salaries by institution and course.

In particular see Section 1 ‘Careers education, information, advice and guidance’. See also ‘Extra-curricular awards stimulus papers: Centre for Recoding Achievement (CRA perspective’ [http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/extra-curricular-awards-CRA.aspx](http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/extra-curricular-awards-CRA.aspx) and ‘Enterprise and entrepreneurship education’ [http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Documents/EE_Draft_Guidance.pdf](http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Documents/EE_Draft_Guidance.pdf)

This body supports Student Employment Services. It aims to encourage interaction between practitioners and share best practice. The resources section is particularly useful.
Enterprise Education UK: http://www.enterprise.ac.uk
This organisation supports the development of enterprise education. They provide resources, fund research projects and include details of past research projects on their website.

University of Exeter: Career Zone: http://www.exeter.ac.uk/careers/events/resources/
This website includes a number of useful resources on topics such as: the development of graduate skills for employability; completing CVs and application forms; being interviewed for jobs; preparing for psychometric tests; and getting the most out of work experience.

Video links
Graduate Labour Market (2013) Summary:

Quarter Life Crisis: http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b01pz599
Graduate class of 2012: 'A 2:1 just won't cut it anymore': http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/video/2012/jul/04/graduate-class-2012-video

Using social media to find employment: http://careers.southwales.ac.uk/socialmedia/#2anchor

Generations apart - finding work: http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b01ptzm3 This is series 2, episode 2. (You might want to look at Series 1 and other episodes).

icould careers videos: http://icould.com/watch-career-videos/

Paul Redmond (president of AGCAS) talking about the competitiveness of the graduate labour market: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zSH5ONEw_o

Mock assessment centre run by UEL Business School:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JlnGHON2stM

What are employers looking for?
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YuZfmRoLiN8

Advice on improving employability:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5jXWt4s3fHk

Developing employability:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hySgaxII9Rg

Paul Redmond on setting career goals:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMzmzdaYJvU
Paul Redmond on what employers want?
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uNxUrOcVVPQ

Why you will fail to have a great career!
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iKHTawgKWQ&feature=related

Dan Ariely talking about different aspects of decision-making:
http://www.youtube.com/user/danariely?feature=relchannel

Daniel Kahneman talking about decision-making
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WEe4sZ84I_w&feature=BFa&list=PL7EFC25C677627FC

Malcolm Gladwell talking about intuition
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3TRioBKpUwY

Useful journals

Career Development International
Education and Training
Journal of Career Assessment
Journal of Education and Work
Journal of Further and Higher Education
Journal of Vocational Behavior
International Journal for Educational and Vocational Guidance
International Journal of Lifelong Education

Books, reports and articles

Graduate labour market


Teaching, learning and the development of ‘personal capital’


Career decision-making


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