

# Ivybridge Community College

## Career of the Week



### Summer Term

**Job Title: Barrister**

**Salary: £17,000 - £200,000 (experienced)**

**Working Hours: 36-38 hours per week, you may have to work weekends / evenings. You may work in a court, at chambers, from home or in an office. Your working environment may be emotionally demanding.**

### How Can I Get There? / Routes of Entry:

- University
- Sixth Forms and Local Colleges

### Local Providers:

- Ivybridge Community College and Local Sixth Forms
- Exeter College
- University of Bristol / University of Exeter / University of Plymouth

### Skills Required:

- Extensive legal knowledge including court procedures and government regulations
- Excellent verbal and presentation skills, in order to question witnesses and present cases to the judge and jury
- Active listening skills and ability to offer legal advice
- Analytical thinking skills
- To be thorough and pay attention to detail
- The ability to think clearly using logic and reasoning
- The ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure
- Persuading skills, to negotiate settlements and present legal arguments

### Employers:

- KBG Chambers, Plymouth
- Devon Chambers, Plymouth
- Magdalen Chambers, Exeter

### Progression:

With experience you could lead and manage a team or apply to become a King's Counsel (experts in the field who take on more complex cases that require a high level of legal expertise), a judge or an ombudsman (an official who investigates complaints against businesses, public entities or officials – usually appointed by the government or by parliament).