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What is BrookesEDGE?

BrookesEDGE is a co-curricular scheme. That is to say, it is a scheme run by Brookes University and Brookes Union that students can opt to engage with in addition to their formal studies. It has two principal aims: to give Brookes students the edge in the employment market by ensuring they capture the many ways they learn and develop whilst being a student at Brookes; and to provide Brookes students with opportunities to learn new things and make new friends outside of their course of study.

You simply download the app, choose the activities you wish to join and complete reflective entries, called STAR entries, against 6 EDGE attributes using the online form in the app. When you have done so, you will have the BrookesEDGE!
STEP 1

Log in using your student number and arrive at the BrookesEDGE app landing page.

Select ‘Browse Activities’ to search all activities arranged alphabetically.
STEP 2

Select any activity to see a description of it, together with the estimated input required of participants and any training provided.

Join the activity. You will be contacted by the activity owner with instructions on engaging with the activity. You can change your mind and leave the activity.
STEP 3

Once you have joined the activity, you can start to build up your STAR entry by typing into each box. All entries can be edited and deleted. When you are satisfied, press ‘Submit Entry’.

TIP: Click on any of the four headings (e.g. Task) to get an applied definition of each part of the STAR entry.
STEP 4

Your activities are listed under My Activities. You can view and download your STAR entries as a permanent resource for applications and interviews. You will need to submit a STAR entry against at least FOUR Attributes and a total of 6 STAR entries to complete the BrookesEDGE award.

TIP: You can click on each Attribute for a definition.
STEP 5

You can search activities by Attribute to help you complete all 6 STAR entries. Here, clicking on ‘Ethical behaviour’ takes you to associated activities.

**TIP:** Some activities will help you to develop more than one Attribute so you can write more than one STAR entry against them.
If you need full guidance on writing STAR entries, go to the Information button at the top centre of the app and click on the highlighted ‘STAR technique’.