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## S Screener

ASK PERSON WHO ANSWERS PHONE

S1 **Good morning / afternoon / evening. My name is NAME and I'm calling from IFF Research. Please can I speak to NAME?**

Respondent answers phone	1	<b>SCRIPT:</b> CONTINUE TO S2.
Transferred to respondent	2	<b>SCRIPT:</b> CONTINUE TO S2.
Hard appointment - DC	3	<b>SCRIPT:</b> INTERVIEWERS USE THE OPTIONS DOWN THE LEFT HAND SIDE OF THE SCREEN TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS. THE DC AND NDC TRYCOUNTS WILL TOT UP ACCORDINGLY IN PARTICIPANTS. <b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO HARD AND SOFT APPOINTMENT DC OR NDC QUEUE AND CALL OUTCOMES.
Soft Appointment - DC	4	
Hard appointment - NDC	5	
Soft Appointment - NDC	6	
Respondent has died	7	<b>SCRIPT:</b> THANK AND CLOSE <b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO CALL OUTCOME 'FAIL CODE X' AND QUEUE 'DEAD'.
Wrong number (respondent no longer lives / not known at address)	8	<b>SCRIPT:</b> CONTINUE TO S3
Unobtainable number	9	<b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO THE 'UNOBTAINABLE' OUTCOME AND 'UNUSABLE' QUEUE.
Respondent wants reassurances	10	<b>SCRIPT:</b> GO TO REASSURANCES
Not available during fieldwork	11	<b>SCRIPT:</b> THANK AND CLOSE <b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO CALL OUTCOME 'NADF' AND QUEUE 'DEAD'
Refused	12	<b>SCRIPT:</b> GO TO S6
No answer	13	<b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO THE 'NO ANSWER' OUTCOME AND 'RECALL' QUEUE

Terminate interview	14	<b>SCRIPT:</b> THANK AND CLOSE <b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO THE 'BREAKDOWN' OUTCOME AND 'TERMINATED / BREAKDOWN' QUEUE.
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ASK ALL

S2 **Good morning / afternoon, my name is NAME, calling from IFF Research, an independent market research company. We're conducting a survey on behalf of the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) speaking with the class of 2012/13 and would like to find out what you have been doing since finishing your [INSERT QUALIFICATION FROM SAMPLE] course at [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: 12/13 HEP from sample] in 2012/13.**

**The interview should take about 10 minutes. Is now a convenient time to talk?**

Continue	1	<b>SCRIPT:</b> CONTINUE TO A1
Hard appointment - DC	2	<b>SCRIPT:</b> INTERVIEWERS USE THE OPTIONS DOWN THE LEFT HAND SIDE OF THE SCREEN TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS. THE DC AND NDC TRYCOUNTS WILL TOT UP ACCORDINGLY IN PARTICIPANTS. <b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO HARD AND SOFT APPOINTMENT DC OR NDC QUEUE AND CALL OUTCOMES.
Soft Appointment - DC	3	
Hard appointment - NDC	4	
Soft Appointment - NDC	5	
Refused	6	
Did not graduate from HE in 2012/13	7	<b>SCRIPT:</b> GO TO S12
Respondent has died	8	<b>SCRIPT:</b> THANK AND CLOSE <b>DESTINATION:</b> WILL GO TO CALL OUTCOME 'FAIL X' AND QUEUE 'DEAD'
Has already completed online	9	
Respondent wants reassurances	10	<b>SCRIPT:</b> GO TO REASSURANCES
Respondent would like to be interviewed in Welsh	11	<b>SCRIPT:</b> GO TO S2WELSH THEN THANK AND CLOSE <b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO 'WELSH' QUEUE AND CALL OUTCOME
Not available during fieldwork	12	<b>SCRIPT:</b> THANK AND CLOSE <b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO CALL OUTCOME 'NADF' AND QUEUE 'DEAD'
Respondent wants reassurance email	13	<b>SCRIPT:</b> INTERVIEWERS TO COLLECT EMAIL AND ARRANGE APPROPRIATE DC / NDC APPOINTMENT. DS TO SEND AUTOMATIC EMAIL OUT. <b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO HARD AND SOFT APPOINTMENT DC OR NDC QUEUE AND CALL OUTCOMES.

ASK IF WANT TO COMPLETE IN WELSH (S2=9)

S2Welsh **We will try our best for someone to call you back and complete the survey in Welsh.**

THANK AND CLOSE

ASK IF WRONG NUMBER (S1=6)

S3 **Do you have a forwarding number for [name from sample]?**

Yes (RECORD NEW NUMBER)	1	<p><b>SCRIPT:</b> ONCE FILLED IN THE SCRIPT WILL GO BACK TO S1 TO ALLOW THE NEW NUMBER TO BE CALL IMMEDIATELY IF DESIRED. IF IMMEDIATE CALL NOT NEEDED THEN APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE USING THE OPTIONS ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE OF THE SCREEN.</p> <p>REFERRAL NUMBER WILL BE WRITTEN TO SAMPLE VARIABLE 'REFERRAL' AND WILL AUTOMATICALLY OVERWRITE THE NUMBER IN 'PHONENUMBER'.</p> <p><b>DESTINATION:</b> DEPENDS EITHER WHEREVER IT ENDS UP AFTER GOING BACK TO S1 OR APPOINTMENT QUEUE.</p>
No	2	<p><b>SCRIPT:</b> THANK AND CLOSE</p> <p><b>DESTINATION:</b> GOES TO FAILCODE 'X'</p>
Respondent wants reassurances	3	<p><b>SCRIPT:</b> GO TO REASSURANCES</p>

S4 **DELETED**

S5 **DELETED**

IF REFUSED (S2=4)

S6 **Are you willing for us to check your contact details and pass them to [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: name of 13/14 HEI from sample], if they are different to the ones we already hold for you, so that they can update their records?**

**These contact details may be used by your institution to undertake further research or to contact you with information or news about the institution in the future.**

Yes - willing for contact details to be passed on	1	<b>SCRIPT:</b> CONTINUE TO S7
No - not willing	2	<b>SCRIPT:</b> CONTINUE TO S11

IF WILLING FOR DETAILS TO BE PASSED BACK (S6=1)

S7 **Is your name [DISPLAY CONTACT NAME]?**

Yes	1	
No - incorrect (RECORD CORRECT NAME)	2	
Refused	3	

S8 **Is the best number to contact you on [DISPLAY TEL NUMBER]?**

Yes	1	
No - incorrect (RECORD CORRECT TEL NUMBER)	2	
Refused	3	

S9 **Is your email address [DISPLAY CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS]?**

Yes	1	
No - incorrect (RECORD CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS)	2	
Refused	3	

IF NO EMAIL ADDRESS

**What is your email address?**

WRITE IN EMAIL ADDRESS

S10 **What is your postal address?**

RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 1
RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 2
RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 3
RECORD POSTCODE

ASK IF REFUSED (S1=12 or S2=4)

S11 **Would you be willing to complete the survey online instead?**

Yes	1	<p><b>SCRIPT 1:</b> COLLECT EMAIL IF S9=3 OR S6=2 DS: SEND INITIAL EMAIL INVITE TO RESPONDENT. IF S9=1 USE EMAIL ADDRESS ON SAMPLE IF S9=2 USE EMAIL ADDRESS COLLECTED AT S9 IF S9=3 OR S6=2 USE EMAIL ADDRESS COLLECTED HERE.</p> <p><b>SCRIPT 2:</b> GO TO S11a AND THANK AND CLOSE</p> <p><b>DESTINATION:</b> 'POSSIBLE ONLINE' CALL OUTCOME AND 'UNUSABLE' QUEUE.</p>
No	2	<p><b>SCRIPT:</b> THANK AND CLOSE</p> <p><b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO 'REFUSED' OUTCOME AND QUEUE.</p>

ASK IF HAPPY TO COMPLETE ONLINE (S11=1)

S11a **Thank you. An email will be sent to you directly inviting you to take part in the online survey.**

ASK IF DID NOT GRADUATE FROM HEI IN 2012/13 (S2=5)

S12 **Just to check, you did not complete a course of any type at an HE institution in 2012/13?**

**ADD IF NECESSARY:** We are interested in speaking to people who completed all types of courses at Higher Education institutions, not just people who were completing their first degree or HE course. This includes people who were studying towards qualifications other than degrees, people who had already completed previous HE courses and people who did not start the HE course straight from school or college.

**PROMPT AS NECESSARY:** We have been advised by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) that you completed a [TEXT SUB: QUALIFICATION] at [TEXT SUB: previous name of 12/13 institution].

Did not graduate from HE in 2012/13	1	<p><b>SCRIPT:</b> THANK AND CLOSE</p> <p><b>DESTINATION:</b> GO TO 'DID NOT GRADUATE' OUTCOME AND DEAD QUEUE</p>
Did graduate from HE in 2012/13	2	<p><b>SCRIPT:</b> GO BACK TO S2</p>

**THANK AND CLOSE:**

DIRECT CONTACT	4	RECORD IN SAMPLE HISTORY
NO DIRECT CONTACT	5	

**REASSURANCES TO USE IF NECESSARY**

The interview will take around 10 minutes to complete.

We are interested in speaking to people who completed all types of courses at Higher Education institutions, not just people who were completing their first degree. This includes people who were studying towards qualifications other than degrees, people who had already completed previous HE courses and people who did not start the HE course straight from school or college.

Your details were given to us by your University / College.

Please note that all data will be reported in aggregate form and your answers will not be reported to our client in any way that would allow you to be identified.

If respondent wishes to confirm validity of survey or get more information about aims and objectives, they can call:

- **MRS: Market Research Society on 0500396999**
- **IFF: Helen Wrathall or Leanne Buksztel: 0207 250 3035**
- **Matthew Ashman at HESA: 01242 211105**

## Section A: What were you doing on 28 November 2016?

I would like to start by asking a few questions about what you were doing on 28 November 2016.

ASK ALL

Q1 **On 28 November 2016 were you...?**

ADD AS NECESSARY: *If you were on maternity or paternity leave but were still on the payroll of your employer please count this as both employed and doing something else*

READ OUT. MULTICODE.

Employed, either full-time or part-time (including self-employed, freelance, voluntary work or other unpaid work)	1	NB: DO NOT ALLOW BOTH CODE 1 AND 2 TO BE SELECTED
Unemployed and looking for work	2	
Engaged in study, training or registered as a research student	3	
Developing a professional portfolio or creative practice with a view to starting a business / becoming freelance	4	
Doing something else (e.g. retired, travelling, maternity leave). Please type in below	5	



ASK IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE SELECTED AT Q1  
IF JUST ONE RESPONSE SELECTED AT Q1 AUTOMATICALLY CODE THIS TO Q2 AND GO TO ROUTING BEFORE Q3

Q2 **Which one of these do you regard as your MAIN activity?**

PROMPT AS NECESSARY. SINGLE CODE.

Employed, whether full-time or part-time (including self-employed, freelance, voluntary work or other unpaid work)	1	SCRIPT TO SHOW OPTIONS SELECTED AT Q1
Unemployed and looking for work	2	
Engaged in study, training or registered as a research student	3	
Developing a professional portfolio or creative practice with a view to starting a business / becoming freelance	4	
[TEXT SUBSTITUTION: OTHER ACTIVITY FROM Q1/5]	5	



IF EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 (Q1=1): ASK SECTION B

## Section B: Your employment on 28 November 2016

ASK ALL EMPLOYED (Q1=1)

Q3 **Were you working in more than one job on 28 November 2016?**

**Please include all work, including any work which was part-time, self-employed, freelance, voluntary or unpaid.**

Yes	1	GO TO Q4
No	2	GO TO Q5

ASK ALL WITH MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3=1)

Q4 **How many jobs did you have on 28 November 2016? Please include all work, including any work which was part-time, self-employed, freelance, voluntary or unpaid.**

WRITE IN

ASK IF WORKING MORE THAN 5 JOBS AT Q4=1

Q4CHK **Can we just check, you had <INSERT NUMBER OF JOBS AT Q4> on 28 November 2016?**

<b>Yes</b>	1
<b>No - IF NO, GO BACK TO ASK Q4 AGAIN</b>	2

[TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ALL WITH MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3=1) **The next few questions are about the job you regarded as your MAIN job on 28 November 2016.**]

[TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ALL WITH ONE JOB (Q3=2) **The next few questions are about the job you had on 28 November 2016.**]

**Q5 When did you start this job?**

INTERVIEWER NOTE: If working through an employment agency, we need the time they started at the placement organisation, NOT at the agency

**Month**

January	1
February	2
March	3
April	4
May	5
June	6
July	7
August	8
September	9
October	10
November	11
December	12
Can't remember	13

**Year**

Before 2012	1
2012	2
2013	3
2014	4
2015	5
2016	6
Can't remember	7

**Q6 ASK ALL EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 (Q1=1) And were you...?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

Employed full-time	1
Employed part-time	2
Self-employed or freelance	3
Doing voluntary work / other unpaid work (including internships)	4

**Q7 ASK ALL EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 (Q1=1) What is the name of the organisation you were working for [TEXT SUB IF SELF EMPLOYED / FREELANCE Q6=3: or running] on 28 November 2016?**

ADD IF NECESSARY: *The data you provide for the following questions will be used for classification purposes only, and no contact will be made with your employer*

INTERVIEWER NOTE: If working through an employment agency, we need the time they started at the placement organisation, NOT at the agency

WRITE IN
ALLOW REFUSED

Q8 [ALL IN WORK EXCEPT SELF EMPLOYED (Q1=1 Q6≠3): **What does the organisation you were working for mainly do?**] [ALL SELF EMPLOYED (Q6=3): **What does this organisation mainly do?**]

- What exactly is made or done at this establishment?
- Please consider what you might type into a search engine to find an organisation like yours online

TO BE CODED TO 4 DIGIT SIC.  
PROBE FULLY.

WRITE IN
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Q9 **Where was your place of work?**

*ADD IF NECESSARY: If it varies, please select the country you consider to be your main place of work. This might be where you spend most of your time.*

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

England	1	Go to Q10
Scotland	2	Go to Q10
Wales	3	Go to Q10
Northern Ireland	4	Go to Q10
Outside the United Kingdom (please select a country from the next screen)	5	Go to Q11
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IF PLACE OF WORK BASED IN UK (Q9/1-4)

Q10 **What was the postcode for your place of work?**

ALLOW DON'T KNOW

IF POSTCODE IS STILL INVALID AFTER ONE FAILED VALIDATION AND ENTERED POSTCODE AT PREVIOUS QUESTIONS

**Unfortunately, we were unable to validate the postcode. Please tell us the first part of the postcode.**

IF RESPONDED DK AT Q10

**Please tell us the first part of the postcode?**

DS – Please show drop down list of first part of postcodes

IF SELECT PART-POSTCODE AT Q10

**And, which of the postcode districts does the postcode begin with?**

DS – Please show postcode districts

IF INVALID OR PARTIAL POSTCODE

**What was the town, city or area in which you worked?**

WRITE IN.

*INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: PLEASE DO NOT RECORD COUNTIES. IF LONDON PLEASE GIVE THE LOCAL AREA E.G. HOLBORN.*

**Town / City / Area**

ALLOW DON'T KNOW

ASK ALL EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 (Q1=1)

Q11 **What was your job title on 28 November 2016?**

*INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: Probe for full details, for example, rather than “supervisor”, specify “customer service supervisor in a bank”*

Q11a **And please could you briefly describe your main duties or responsibilities? What did you mainly do in your job?**

*INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: Probe for a line of detail*

- *Are they supervising anyone?*
- *If in sales, what are they selling? If in design, what are they designing?*

WRITE IN. TO BE CODED TO 5 DIGIT SOC.

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Q12 **Which of the following best describes the basis on which you were employed by** [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ORGANISATION NAME AT Q7] **on 28 November 2016?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

On a permanent or open-ended contract	1
On a fixed-term contract lasting 12 months or longer	2
On a fixed-term contract lasting less than 12 months	3
Setting up or managing your own business	5
Self-employed/freelance	4
Temporarily, through an agency	6
Temporarily, other than through an agency	7
Employed on another basis	8
Don't know	x

Q13 **APPROXIMATELY how many people work in the entire organisation (including all branches, departments, etc.)?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

1 to 49	1
50 to 249	2
250 or more	3
Don't know	4

Q14 **ASK ALL EXCEPT THOSE WHO WERE DOING VOLUNTARY/UNPAID WORK (Q6=1-3) [TEXT SUBSTITUTION ALL EXCEPT THOSE SELF EMPLOYED OR FREELANCE (Q6=1-2 AND (Q12=1-3 OR 6-8 OR X))]: What was your approximate gross pay before tax? Please just state basic pay; do not include bonuses or benefits in kind./ IF SELF EMPLOYED OR FREELANCE (Q6=3 OR Q12=4-5): Please indicate the amount of money that you paid yourself out of the business. Please just state basic pay; do not include bonuses or benefits in kind.]**

DS: ALLOW BLANKS FOR THOSE UNWILLING TO ANSWER

**Salary**

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**And what currency does that figure refer to?**

Pounds sterling	1
Other (please type in)	2

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**What payment period does that refer to?**

Annually	1
Monthly	2
Weekly	3
Hourly	4
Other (please type in)	5

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SALARY CHECKS: ASK CHECK QUESTION IF RESPONDENT EARNS MORE THAN UPPER LIMIT OR LESS THAN LOWER LIMIT ACCORDING TO PERIOD TYPE:

	Upper limit	Lower limit
Q14=1 (Annual)	£50,000	£5,000
Q14=2 (Monthly)	£4,167	£417
Q14=3 (Weekly)	£962	£96
Q14=4 (Hourly)	£27	£6

Q14CHK You just stated that you earned [INSERT Q14 SALARY ANSWER] per [IF Q14PER=1 year; IF Q14PER=2 month; IF Q14PER=3 week; IF Q14PER=4 hour]. Is this correct?

Yes	1
No - IF NO, GO BACK TO ASK Q14 AGAIN	2

ASK ALL PAID HOURLY (Q14 PERIOD=4)

Q15 Typically, how many hours a week were you paid to work in that job?

CATI CHECK: IF HOURS  $\geq$  40

Can I just check that you worked [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: NUMBER OF HOURS AT Q15] hours per week in this job on average?

Yes	1
No - IF NO, GO BACK TO ASK Q15 AGAIN	2

ASK ALL EMPLOYED ON 28 NOVEMBER (Q1=1)

Q16 As far as you are aware, how important were the following factors to [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ORGANISATION NAME AT Q7] [TEXT SUBSTITUTION IF Q7=REFUSED: the company you were working for on 28th November 2016] when you gained this employment?

IF IMPORTANT PROMPT: Was it important or a formal requirement?

IF NOT IMPORTANT PROMPT: Was it not very important but helped, or not important?

READ OUT

	Formal requirement	Important	Not very important but helped	Not important	Don't know
The subject you studied	1	2	3	4	5
The type of qualification you obtained in 2012/2013 (e.g. BA, MSc, PhD, etc)	1	2	3	4	5
The class or grade of the qualification you obtained	1	2	3	4	5
Evidence of skills and competencies	1	2	3	4	5

Q17 And how important were the following factors?

IF IMPORTANT PROMPT: **Was it important or a formal requirement?**

IF NOT IMPORTANT PROMPT: **Was it not very important but helped, or not important?**

INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF RESPONDENT SAYS 'NOT IMPORTANT', CHECK THAT 1) THEY DID HAVE ANY WORK EXPERIENCE OR PLACEMENT 2) DID OBTAIN FURTHER QUALIFICATIONS 3) HAD ANY PREVIOUS (RELEVANT) WORK EXPERIENCE. IF NOT, CODE TO THE LAST ;DID NOT DO' CODES

READ OUT

	Formal requirement	Important	Not very important but helped	Not important	Don't know	Did not do any work experience or placement as part of your qualification
<b>Any work experience or work placement that was part of the qualification you obtained in 2012/2013</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Formal requirement	Important	Not very important but helped	Not important	Don't know	Did not obtain any further qualifications
<b>Any qualifications that you have obtained after the one you got in 2012/2013</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

	Formal requirement	Important	Not very important but helped	Not important	Don't know	Did not have any previous (relevant) work experience
<b>Relevant work experience from previous employment</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q18 [TEXT SUBSTITUTION ALL EXCEPT THOSE SELF EMPLOYED OR FREELANCE (Q6=1-2 OR 4 AND (Q12=1-3 OR 6-8 OR X)): **Why did you decide to take the job at** [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ORGANISATION NAME AT Q7]?] [IF SELF EMPLOYED (Q6=3 AND (Q12=1-3 OR Q12=6-8 OR X)) OR (Q12=4): **Why did you decide to become self-employed?**] [IF SETTING UP OWN BUSINESS (Q12=5) **Why did you decide to set up or manage your own business?**]

MULTI CODE. READ OUT.

It fitted into my career plan / it was exactly the type of work I wanted	1
ASK TO ALL EXCEPT SELF-EMPLOYED / FREELANCE OR SETTING UP OWN BUSINESS (Q6=1-2 OR 4 AND (Q12=1-3 OR 6-8 OR X)) It was the best job offer I received / only job offer I received	2
ASK TO ALL EXCEPT SELF-EMPLOYED / FREELANCE OR SETTING UP OWN BUSINESS (Q6=1-2 OR 4 AND (Q12=1-3 OR 6-8 OR X)) It was an opportunity to progress in the organisation	3
To gain experience in order to get the type of job I really want	4
To see if I would like the type of work it involved	5
To broaden my experience / to develop general skills	6
DO NOT SHOW IF Q6=4: In order to pay off debts	7
DO NOT SHOW IF Q6=4: In order to earn a living	8

Other	9
Don't know / can't remember	X

**Q19 How did you first find out about this job?**

SINGLE CODE. PROMPT AS NECESSARY.

Own institution's career service / website	1
Other careers service/or its website	2
Employer's website	3
Newspaper/magazine advertisement/or its website	4
High street recruitment agency	5
Online / web-based recruitment agency	6
Already/previously worked for the organisation	7
Professional, work or educational contacts or networks	8
Personal contacts, including family, friends and social networks	9
Speculative approach to employer	10
Other	11
Don't know / can't remember	X
IF SELF EMPLOYED OR OWN BUSINESS (Q12/4 OR 5): Not applicable	12

ON1 DELETED

ON2 DELETED

ASK IF HAVE MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3=1) OR IF DEVELOPING A BUSINESS OR PORTFOLIO ALONGSIDE WORK (Q1=1 AND 4)

**Q20 You said earlier that you [TEXT SUB IF MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3/1) had more than one job on 28 November 2016 / TEXT SUB IF DEVELOPING BUSINESS OR PORTFOLIO ALONGSIDE WORK (Q1=1 AND 4) were developing a business or portfolio alongside work on 28 November 2016). To what extent is it because....**

*READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.*

	A great extent	Some extent	Not at all	Not relevant	Don't Know
I am unable to secure any full-time position	1	2	3	X	X
Combining two or more jobs is the only way to get sufficient full-time equivalent work in my preferred type of employment	1	2	3	X	X
At least one of my work roles or activities is allowing me to develop the skills and/or contacts necessary to move into the type of work I really want	1	2	3	X	X
I like the variety	1	2	3	X	X
My preferred work is on a freelance basis so I need other paid work as well	1	2	3	X	X
It gives me time to maintain a balance between work and my personal or family commitments	1	2	3	X	X
To supplement my income	1	2	3	X	X



Q20A QUESTION DELETED

IF ENGAGED IN STUDY OR TRAINING ON 28 November 2016 (Q1=3), ASK SECTION C

## Section C: Your study, training or research on 28 November 2016

The next few questions are about the study, training or research you were engaged in on 28 November 2016?

Q21 **When did you start the course of study, training or research you were engaged in on 28 November 2016?**

**Month**

January	1
February	2
March	3
April	4
May	5
June	6
July	7
August	8
September	9
October	10
November	11
December	12
Can't remember	X

**Year**

Before 2012	1
2012	2
2013	3
2014	4
2015	5
2016	6
Can't remember	X

Q22 **Were you studying full-time or part-time?**

SINGLE CODE.

Full-time	1
Part-time	2

Q23 **What is the name of the institution or organisation at which you were registered?**

WRITE IN

Q24 **What type of organisation was this? Was it a...?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

University or Higher Education Institution	1
College of Further Education	2
Private training company	3
Other (type in below)	4

PLEASE TYPE IN TYPE OF ORGANISATION

Q25 **Which of the following best describes the type of qualification you were aiming for?**

READ OUT SINGLE CODE.

Higher degree mainly by research (PhD, DPhil, MPhil)	1
Higher degree, mainly by taught course (MA, MSc)	2
Postgraduate diploma or certificate (incl. PGCE)	3
First degree (BA, BSc, MEng)	4
Professional qualification (e.g. Chartered Accountancy, Chartered Institute of Marketing)	5
Other diploma or certificate	6
Other qualification (please type in below)	7

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Not aiming for a qualification	8
Don't know	x

Q26 **What subject area were you studying, training or researching?**

*PROBE AS NECESSARY: for example: if history ask which period/country/topic covered  
WRITE IN. PROBE FULLY.*

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Q27 QUESTION DELETED

Q28 **Which ONE of these do you consider to be your MAIN source of funding for this course of study, training or research?**

*READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.*

Grant/Award (e.g. Research Council Studentship/Bursary)	1
My employer provided financial support	2
Self-funded e.g. savings/loan/income	3
Other funding	4
Don't know	x

IF WORKING AND STUDYING ON 28 November 2016 (Q1=1&3)  
Q29 **Did your employer provide you with any of the following in order to help you with the course of study, training or research that you were pursuing on 28 November 2016?**

*READ OUT. MULTI CODE.*

Paid study leave	1
Training related to my course	2
Mentoring	3
Provision of materials to help with study	4
More flexible or reduced working hours to accommodate study	5
Other (Please type in below)	6

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None of the above	7

IF ENGAGED IN STUDY OR TRAINING ON 28 November 2016 (Q1=3)  
 Q30 **Why did you decide to undertake the further study, training or research?**

READ OUT. MULTI CODE.

Because it was a requirement of my employment on 28 November 2016 that I did	1
To develop a broader or more specialist range of skills or knowledge	2
To change or improve my career options	3
Because I was interested in the content of the course	4
Because I had enjoyed my first course and wanted to continue studying	5
I wanted to go on being a student/I wanted to postpone job hunting	6
I had been unable to find a suitable job	7
Other	8
Don't know	x

## Section D: What else have you been doing since finishing your course in 2012/13?

ASK ALL

I'd now like to find out a bit more about what you have been doing since completing your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: qualification from sample] course at [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: HEI from sample] in 2012/13.

- Q31 ASK IF EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 AND IN ONE JOB (Q3/2)  
**Apart from the job that you have already told us about, have you had any other jobs between graduating and 28 November 2016?**

*ADD AS NECESSARY: If you have changed jobs within an organisation, or were promoted, please count these as SEPARATE jobs.*

ASK IF EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 AND IN MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3/1)  
**You've already told us that you had [INSERT NUMBER OF JOBS FROM Q4] on 28 November 2016. Apart from these have you had any other jobs between graduating and 28 November 2016?**

ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED 28 November 2016 (Q1 NOT 1)  
**Have you had any jobs between graduating and 28 November 2016?**

**Please include any part-time, self-employed, freelance, voluntary or other unpaid work that you have had.**

*ADD AS NECESSARY: If you have undertaken consecutive periods of employment through one or more temping agencies please count this as ONE job*

Yes	1	ASK Q32
No	2	GO TO Q33
Don't know	3	

- Q32 ASK ALL WHO HAVE HAD ANY JOBS SINCE GRADUATING (Q31=1)  
**How many [IF Q1=1other] jobs have you had between graduating and 28 November 2016?**

**Please include any part-time, self-employed, freelance, voluntary or other unpaid work that you have had.**

*ADD AS NECESSARY: If you have changed jobs within an organisation, or were promoted, please count these as SEPARATE jobs.*

*ADD AS NECESSARY: If you have undertaken consecutive periods of employment through one or more temping agencies please count this as ONE job*

WRITE IN. ALLOW DK.

IF NUMBER OF JOBS IS 20 OR MORE AT Q32: Q32>19

- Q32chk Can I just check you've had [INSERT Q32 RESPONSE] [if (EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 AND IN ONE JOB (Q3/2)) or (EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 AND IN MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3/1): other] jobs between graduating at 28 November 2016?

Yes	1
No - IF NO, GO BACK TO ASK Q32 AGAIN	2

- Q33 ASK ALL  
**Have you ever been unemployed and seeking work for a period lasting one month or more since you graduated in 2012/13?**

SINGLE CODE.

Yes	1	ASK Q34
No	2	GO TO Q36
Don't know	3	

ASK IF HAVE BEEN UNEMPLOYED (Q33/1)

Q34 **How many separate periods of unemployment lasting one month or more have you had?**

WRITE IN

ALL DON'T KNOW
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IF PERIOD OF UNEMPLOYMENT IS 10 OR MORE AND ARE CURRENTLY IN WORK OR HAVE HAD MORE THAN 1 JOB (Q34>9 AND (Q1=1 OR Q32>1))

Q34chk Can I just check you've had [INSERT Q34 RESPONSE] periods of unemployment between graduating and 28 November 2016?

Yes	1
No - IF NO, GO BACK TO ASK Q34 AGAIN	2

ASK IF MORE THAN ONE PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT (Q34/2-6)

Q35 **How many months would you say these periods of unemployment add up to?**

ASK IF ONLY ONE PERIOD OF UNEMPLOYMENT (Q34/1)

**How many months would you say this period of unemployment adds up to?**

INTERVIEWER NOTE: [TEXT SUB IF Q34=2-6: WE WANT TO KNOW HOW MANY MONTHS IN TOTAL THESE SEPARATE PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT ADD UP TO]

INTERVIEWER NOTE: [TEXT SUB IF Q34=1: WE WANT TO KNOW HOW MANY MONTHS THIS ONE PERIOD OF UNEMPLOYMENT ADDS UP TO]

WRITE IN NUMBER OF MONTHS.

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IF NUMBER OF MONTHS IS 42 OR MORE AND ARE CURRENTLY IN WORK OR HAVE HAD MORE THAN 1 JOB (Q35>41 AND (Q1=1 OR Q32>1))  
 Q35chk **Can I just check your periods of unemployment between graduating and 28 November 2016 have lasted [INSERT Q35 RESPONSE] months in total?**

<b>Yes</b>	1
<b>No - IF NO, GO BACK TO ASK Q35 AGAIN</b>	2

ASK ALL

Q36 **Did you obtain any qualifications between the time you completed your course at [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: HEI from sample] in the academic year 2012/13 and 28 November 2016?**

[TEXT SUB: IF Q1/3] **Please exclude any qualifications gained from any of the courses that you have already told us about.]**

SINGLE CODE.

Yes	1	Go to Q37
No	2	Go to NEXT SECTION

IF OBTAINED FURTHER QUALIFICATIONS (Q36/1)

Q37 **How many other separate qualifications did you obtain?**

WRITE IN
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Q38 **What was the highest level of qualification you obtained between graduating from your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: course from sample] course in the academic year 2012/13 and 28 November 2016?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

Higher degree mainly by research (PhD, DPhil, MPhil)	1
Higher degree, mainly by taught course (MA, MSc)	2
Postgraduate diploma or certificate (incl. PGCE)	3
First degree (BA, BSc, MEng)	4
Professional qualification (e.g. Chartered Accountancy, Chartered Institute of Marketing)	5
Other diploma or certificate	6
Other qualification (please type in below)	7

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Not aiming for a qualification	8
Don't know	x

Q39 **And what was the subject area of this qualification?**  
 WRITE IN PROBE FULLY.



*PROBE AS NECESSARY. For example: if history, ask which period/country/topic covered.*

**Q40 And how did you MAINLY fund your studies for this qualification? Was it by...?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

Grant/award (e.g. Research Council Studentship / Bursary)	1
Employer provided financial support	2
Self-funded e.g. Savings / loan / income	3
Other funding	4
Don't know	X

ASK ALL

**Section E – Satisfaction and skills**

**Thank you for describing what you have been doing since completing your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: qualification obtained from sample] course. Thinking back ....**

- Q41 If you were to choose whether or not to do your course again, how likely or unlikely is it that you would...?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

	Very likely	Likely	Not very Likely	Not likely at all	Don't Know
Do a different subject?	1	2	3	4	5
Study at a different institution?	1	2	3	4	5
Work towards a different type of qualification	1	2	3	4	5
Decide to do something completely different?	1	2	3	4	5

- Q42 Given what you have told us so far, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your career to date?**

READ OUT SINGLE CODE.

Very satisfied	1
Fairly satisfied	2
Not very satisfied	3
Not at all satisfied	4
Don't know	5
Not applicable	6

- Q43 Thinking about your overall experience of the course you completed in 2012/13, to what extent do you agree or disagree that the course was good value for money?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

Strongly agree	1
Agree	2
Neither agree nor disagree	3
Disagree	4
Strongly disagree	5
Don't know	6

The following questions now focus on your general higher education experience.

This includes the course you completed in 2012/13, as well any extra-curricular activities you were involved in during this time (including placements undertaken while you were studying).

Q44A How well did this higher education experience prepare you for or help you progress your career aspirations?

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

Very well	1
Quite well	2
Not very well	3
Not at all	4
Don't know	5

ASK ALL WHO DID NOT COMPLETE RESEARCH DEGREE PROGRAMME IN 2012/13 (from sample)

Q44AA Still considering your higher education experience, which includes the course you completed in 2012/13 as well as any extra-curricular activities and work placements you undertook in this time, to what extent has your higher education experience enabled you to...?

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

	A great extent	Some extent	Not at all	Don't know		Not worked since finishing course	Not relevant
Be innovative in the workplace	1	2	3	4		5	
Solve problems in your work	1	2	3	4		5	
Communicate effectively in your work	1	2	3	4		5	
Make good decisions in your work	1	2	3	4		5	
Work effectively with others	1	2	3	4		5	
Take initiative and personal responsibility in your work	1	2	3	4		5	
Make effective use of information and communication technology in your work	1	2	3	4		5	6
Work effectively with numbers	1	2	3	4		5	6

ASK ALL IN WORK EXCEPT SELF EMPLOYED ON 28 November 2016 (Q6=1/2/4)

**Q44AB To what extent does your employer enable you to use the skills you gained during your higher education experience (including any extra-curricular activities and work placements)?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

A great extent	1
Some extent	2
Not at all	3
Don't know	4

ASK ALL

**Q44B And still considering your higher education experience (including any extra-curricular activities and work placements), how well did this prepare you for being self employed or setting up your own business?**

READ OUT. SINGLE CODE.

<b>Very well</b>	1
<b>Quite well</b>	2
<b>Not very well</b>	3
<b>Not at all</b>	4
Don't know	5
Have never considered becoming self employed / setting up own business	6

## Section F – Research Degree

ASK ALL WHO COMPLETED RESEARCH DEGREE PROGRAMME IN 2012/13 (from sample)  
 Q45TEL **Thinking about the research degree you took in 2012/13, why did you decide to undertake it?**

READ OUT, MULTICODE

Q46TEL **And what was the main reason you decided to undertake it?**

READ OUT, SINGLE CODE

	Other reason	Main reason
I was interested in the subject	1	1
I was interested in research	2	2
I wanted to go on being a student/I wanted to postpone job hunting	3	3
I was awarded a funded studentship	4	4
I was encouraged or required to do so by my employer at the time	5	5
I was encouraged to do so by previous tutors/lecturers.	6	6
I wanted an academic career.	7	7
I thought it would improve my career prospects more broadly.	8	8
It was essential to get into the area of employment I want(ed) to work in.	9	9
Other (Please type in below)	10	10



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Q47 **Did you receive any funding towards these research studies in terms of fees or maintenance, or were you self-funded?**

ADD AS NECESSARY: **Please include any accommodation costs under maintenance**

READ OUT. SINGLECODE.

Received funding towards fees	1
Received funding towards maintenance	2
Received funding towards both fees and maintenance	3
No funding / Self-funding	4

ASK ALL IN RECEIPT OF FUNDING FOR FEES (Q47=1 OR 3)  
 Q48 **Firstly, could you tell me the main source of funding for your fees?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

ASK ALL IN RECEIPT OF FUNDING FOR FEES (Q47=1 OR 3)  
 Q49 **From which other sources did you receive funding for your fees?**

PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

	Main source	Other sources
A) The institution where I studied		
B) Research Councils:		
Arts & Humanities Research Council (AHRC)		
Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)		
Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC)		
Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)		
Medical Research Council (MRC)		
Natural Environment Research Council (NERC)		
Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC)		
C) UK Educational / Scientific charity (including The Wellcome Trust, Cancer Research UK, British Heart Foundation or Other UK Educational / Scientific charity):		
D) Other competitively-awarded scholarship or award (Please specify)		
E) EU / EC funded		
G) Support from my employer or an industry body		
F) Other (Please type in below)		
G) No other sources of funding		

ASK ALL IN RECEIPT OF FUNDING FOR MAINTENANCE (Q47=2 OR 3)  
 Q50 **What was the main source of funding for your maintenance?**

PROMPT AS NECESSARY, SINGLE CODE

ASK ALL IN RECEIPT OF FUNDING FOR MAINTENANCE (Q47=2 OR 3)  
 Q51 **From which other sources did you receive funding for your maintenance?**

PROMPT AS NECESSARY, MULTICODE

	Main source (Please select one option only)	Other sources (Please select all that apply)
A) The institution where I studied		
B) Research Councils:		
Arts & Humanities Research Council (AHRC)		
Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)		
Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC)		
Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)		
Medical Research Council (MRC)		
Natural Environment Research Council (NERC)		
Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC)		
C) UK Educational / Scientific charity (including The Wellcome Trust, Cancer Research UK, British Heart Foundation or Other UK Educational / Scientific charity):		
D) Other competitively-awarded scholarship or award (Please specify)		
E) EU / EC funded		
G) Support from my employer or an industry body		
F) Other (Please type in below)		
G) No other sources of funding		

## Q52 To what extent did your research topic require....?

READ OUT, SINGLE CODE

	A great extent	Some extent	Not at all	Don't know
Working on your own	1	2	3	4
Collaborating with others in the same broad discipline or subject area as yours (e.g. chemistry, management)	1	2	3	4
Collaborating with others in different disciplines	1	2	3	4
Development of knowledge and skills that cross other disciplines or subject areas as well as your own	1	2	3	4
Collaborating with others outside the higher education research community	1	2	3	4
Work placement(s) or internship(s)	1	2	3	4
Periods of international mobility, i.e. working or studying in non-UK research team(s)	1	2	3	4

IF DID RESEARCH DEGREE AND EMPLOYED ON 28 NOVEMBER (Q1/1)

## Q53 In the job that you were doing on 28 November 2016, how often do you / did you...?

READ OUT, SINGLE CODE

	Most of the time	Some of the time	Occasi onally	Not at all	Don't know
A) Conduct research	1	2	3	4	5
B) Interpret or critically evaluate research findings	1	2	3	4	5
C) Draw on the detailed knowledge on which your research degree was based	1	2	3	4	5
D) Use your general disciplinary knowledge	1	2	3	4	5
E) Use the research skills you developed as a research student	1	2	3	4	5
F) Use the generic skills you developed as a research student	1	2	3	4	5
G) Work autonomously	1	2	3	4	5
H) Work as part of a team	1	2	3	4	5
I) Work under close supervision	1	2	3	4	5
J) Have responsibility for supervising the work of others	1	2	3	4	5



ASK ALL RESEARCH DEGREE FROM SAMPLE  
 Q54 To what extent has your PhD / Research degree experience enabled you to...?

READ OUT, SINGLE CODE

	A great extent	Some extent	Not at all	Don't know	Have not worked since finishing course
Be innovative in the workplace	1	2	3	4	5
Make a difference in the workplace	1	2	3	4	5
Change organisational culture and/or working practices	1	2	3	4	5
Influence the work of others in the workplace	1	2	3	4	5
Access immediate or short-term job opportunities in your chosen career	1	2	3	4	5
Enhance your credibility or standing in the workplace	1	2	3	4	5
Progress towards your long term career aspirations	1	2	3	4	
Enhance your social and intellectual capabilities beyond employment	1	2	3	4	
Enhance the quality of your life generally	1	2	3	4	
Any other impact in the workplace (Please specify)	1	2	3	4	5

## Section G – Wellbeing – ASK OF ALL EXCEPT SCOTTISH HEPs (ALL EXCEPT F\_HEILOCATION= 'S')

**Q55a** We'd just like to finish by asking you some questions about your general well-being. Please respond to the following questions using a scale of '0' to '10' where '0' is 'not at all' and '10' is 'completely'.

READ OUT. CODE ONE PER ROW.

	0 - 'Not at all'										10 - 'completely'	
<b>Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays?</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	
<b>Overall, to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile?</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	
<b>Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday?</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	
<b>Overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday?</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	

## Section H – Contact information

- ASK ALL WHO COMPLETED RESEARCH DEGREE PROGRAMME IN 2012/13 (from sample)
- Q55 **The Research Councils may like to contact you for further research purposes, the results of which are used to inform policy development and published to help inform individuals' career decisions.**

**Are you happy for us to pass on your responses and contact details for this purpose?**

Yes	1	
No	2	

- ASK ALL
- Q58 **Are you willing to be invited to take part in future research into graduates' training, development and employment by organisations responsible for this research?**

**For example, The Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA), [TEXT SUBSTITUTION IF HEI EN FROM SAMPLE: Department for Education (DfE), Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE)] [TEXT SUBSTITUTION IF HEI SC FROM SAMPLE: Scottish Funding Council (SC)] [TEXT SUBSTITUTION IF HEI WA FROM SAMPLE: Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW)] [TEXT SUBSTITUTION IF HEI NI FROM SAMPLE: NI Government] etc.**

**We would need to share your contact details, but only for this purpose.**

SINGLE CODE.

Yes	1
No	2

- ASK ALL
- Q56 **Are you willing for IFF Research to pass the following back to [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: name of HEP from sample] ....**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION PER ROW.

	Yes	No
<b>Your contact details, if they are different to the ones we already hold, so they can update their records?</b>		
<b>They may use these to undertake further research or to contact you with information or news about the institution in the future.</b>	1	2
<b>Your name, along with the information you have given us today?</b>		
<b>They may wish to contact you in connection with your participation in this survey.</b>	1	2

Q57A deleted

IF WILLING FOR ANY REASON (Q55/1 OR Q56/1 OR Q57/2 OR Q58/1)  
 Q59 **Thank you. Can we just check we have the best details to reach you on?**

DS- SHOW EMAIL ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER ON THE SAME PAGE AND NAME AND POSTAL ADDRESS ON A SECOND PAGE.

IF HAVE EMAIL (FROM SAMPLE)

**According to our records, your email address is:** DISPLAY CONTACT ADDRESS. **Is that correct?**

Yes – correct	1
No – incorrect (Please type in correct email address)	2

**And what is the best number to contact you on?**

WRITE IN TELEPHONE NUMBER

**According to our records your name:** DISPLAY CONTACT NAME. **Is that correct?**

Yes – correct	1
No – incorrect (Please type in correct name)	2

**And what is the best postal address to contact you on?**

RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 1
RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 2
RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 3
RECORD POSTCODE

**That is the end of the survey.**

**Thank you very much for your participation; your contribution is much appreciated.**

**If you are interested in viewing the results of the survey, they will be available to view in Autumn 2017 through this link:** <https://www.hesa.ac.uk/data-and-analysis/publications#destinations-leavers-higher-education-longitudinal-survey>.

*CLOSE INTERVIEW*

I declare that this survey has been carried out under IFF instructions and within the rules of the MRS Code of Conduct.		
Interviewer signature:	Date:	
Finish time:	Interview Length	mins