

# CAREER OPTIONS

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# WHAT I WANT TO PURSUE IN LIFE...

Singer/Songwriting

Fashion Design

Modelling

Architect

Interior Design

Radio Presenter

Producer

Actor



# CERTAIN QUALIFICATIONS FOR SAID JOBS

**FASHION DESIGNER** - To be a fashion designer, you will need to have a good eye for colour and shape. You'll need skills such as pattern-cutting and sewing. You'll also need to be able to spot trends. You will usually need a relevant higher education qualification, such as a foundation degree, HND or degree to be a fashion designer.

## **SINGER SONGWRITER -**

Degree Level	Bachelor's degree (recommended, required for opera singers)
Degree Fields	Music theory, music performance
Experience	Often begins before adulthood with lessons and recitals

## **MODELLING -**

- the ability to work well with others.
- active listening skills.
- to be flexible and open to change.
- excellent verbal communication skills.
- patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations.
- the ability to organise your time and workload.
- concentration skills.
- physical fitness and endurance.

**ARCHITECT** - To become an architect, you will need to complete a five year architecture degree which is recognised by the Architects Registration Board (ARB). To take a recognised degree you will need: five GCSEs A\*-C including English, maths and science and three A levels. Some universities prefer a maths or a science subject.

**INTERIOR DESIGN** - To become a professional interior designer you'll need a relevant degree, foundation degree or HND. Industry employers prefer qualifications in relevant subjects, such as architecture, fine art, furniture design, interior/spatial design, interior architecture, textile design and 3D design.

### **RADIO PRESENTER -**

- excellent communication and presentation skills.
- performance skills and a clear voice.
- the ability to generate original ideas.
- a personable and confident manner.
- a broad range of interests, including current affairs.
- good research and interviewing skills.
- the confidence and the ability to sell yourself.

### **PRODUCER -**

- Musical. Nobody is saying you need to be a classically trained musician in order to become a music producer.
- Interpersonal.
- Creativity.
- Leadership.
- Project management.
- Self motivation.

## **ACTOR -**

There is no set entry route to become an actor but it may be useful to do a relevant subject like:

1. Level 2 Technical Certificate in Performing Arts.
2. Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing Arts - Acting.
3. A level in Drama and Theatre.
4. Level 4 Diploma in Speech and Drama.

There are no formal education requirements to become an actor but a bachelor's degree in theater arts, drama, acting and performing, may be helpful in learning technical skills. Experience is of great importance in this career, as experience leads to bigger and higher paying roles.



# SALARIES

**Singer/Songwriting** - Average Musician or Singer Salary in United Kingdom £30,625

**Fashion Design** - Average Fashion Designer Salary in United Kingdom £25,975

**Modelling** - Rates of pay can be hourly, daily or per campaign or photo shoot. Hourly rates can start at around £40 per hour, with day rates ranging from the low hundreds up to £1,000 or maybe even a lot more especially in high fashion. An average models salary is approximately £40,000-£50,000 per year.

**Architect** - Architects earn an average salary of £27,000- £35,000 in the UK

**Interior Design** - Experienced interior designers can earn between £25,000 and £40,000. Salaries for senior designers can reach £45,000+, while creative/design directors can earn up to - and sometimes more than - £75,000.

**Radio Presenter** - The national average salary for a Radio Presenter is £53,762 in United Kingdom.

**Actors** - A number of British job websites suggest that “average” salaries for actors fall between 25-48k GBP annually. An article in the Independent cited a Casting Call Pro survey that found just 2% of British actors had earned more than 20,000 GBP in a year. 46% earned less than 1000 GBP, and 30% earned between 1000-5000.