

## Georgie Ground – 2015 Alumni

- **A Levels studied –**

Maths, Further Maths and Biology. I also did Geography at AS Level.

- **Why did you take the apprenticeship route? –**

I knew I wanted to go into Accountancy and had looked at various routes. I kept my options open and went to a few job interviews. The position with Azets meant that I could obtain my professional qualifications without the need for a degree. Learning on the job has also allowed me to gain experience while I have been training which I thought was also very important.

- **Which level of apprenticeship did you do?**

Level 4 in the first 2 years and then a Level 7 in the next 3 years.

- **What is your role in your company?**

I am a senior accountant and moving on to managing my own clients now I have passed all my exams.

- **What are your future plans?**

I plan to get experience as a manager for a few years and then hope to move up to a more senior position within my team.

- **Any other tips?**

My recommendation is to research your chosen career to see if there are other ways to get into it. Keep your options open so you have different routes that you can take after you receive your results. Apprenticeships seemed to be considered options for people who couldn't go to university when I left school, however this is not the case. A Level 7 apprenticeship is considered the same level as a degree and you will also have the experience that most employers consider to be very valuable, so it is definitely worth looking into.