Anderson Anderson & Brown (AAB) LLP developed a successful and sustainable relationship through the Careers Service’s three Employer Engagement strands: Recruiting Students and Graduates, Supporting Student Employability, Developing the Curriculum. AAB’s additional engagement with disciplines outside of their own sector, and through their on-campus sessions have further contributed to the careers and employability provision offered to University of Aberdeen students and graduates.

My experience with AAB was positive right from the get go. From the internship application process right through to my very last day, I was made to feel like part of the team... I can only hope that I am lucky enough to go back next year!

Michaela Mccombie, AAB Audit Intern.

A selection of AAB’s Student Engagement Activities 2015-16

Recruiting Students & Graduates

- All of AAB’s Internships were filled by University of Aberdeen students in 2015, and 2016.
- AAB have offered a third of their 2016 graduate roles to University of Aberdeen students, an increase on their 2015 intake.
- On-campus recruitment presentations.
- Attendance at the North of Scotland Graduate Recruitment Fair.

Developing the Curriculum

- Participation in the Work Related Learning (WRL) Symposium to discuss and influence the direction, content, and format of curriculum-based WRL.
- Work-Based group projects for the level 3 undergraduate WRL course: Working Together: Employability for Arts & Social Sciences.
- Work-Based Projects for postgraduate dissertations through Making the Most of Masters.

Supporting Student Employability

- Delivered a Skills and Career Planning Workshop.
- Provision of a speaker for the ‘Alternatives to Law’ Careers Event.
- HR Workshop for Law students.
- Careers session with the Women in Science & Engineering Society.
- Active participants in the Career Mentoring scheme.
- Networking and Personal Branding Workshop for the STAR Award.

I am pleased that we are all seeing benefit from our involvement.

Karen Stewart, Chief Human Resources Officer, AAB.

This is certainly a showcase example of how organisations and Careers Services can work together to ensure graduates have the skills, attributes, and experience to prepare them for the world of work.

Peter Fantom, Head of Careers Service, University of Aberdeen.

AAB are shortlisted for the ‘AGCAS Award for Excellence in Careers Service Engagement’ as a result of their University of Aberdeen Student Engagement activities.