

AI & Your Child's Degree

The honest, data-backed guide,
and what to actually do about it

Sources: ONS · Felten AI Occupational Exposure · Discover Uni

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1. Is any degree 'AI-proof'? No.

Map every degree to the jobs its graduates actually do, then to AI exposure, and every subject lands 63-82 out of 100, from maths to nursing. There's no safe subject. That's freeing: stop hunting a magic 'safe' degree, and start on a course your child will be brilliant at.

2. Which jobs is AI most exposed to?

AI Occupational Exposure score (Felten et al, the measure the UK government uses):

Finance roles	100
Legal roles	95
Admin & clerical	84
Software / IT	77
Sales	76
Engineering	73
Caring & nursing	35
Skilled trades	26
Manual / elementary	0

The more a job is words, numbers and rules on a screen, the more exposed. Hands-on, caring and physical work, far less. (Note: 'exposed' means AI can do parts of it, change, not replacement.)

3. So what do you actually do?

Remember: exposed usually means changed, not deleted, professionals expect AI to help them.

Pick degrees that build what AI is worst at: judgment, original thinking, working with people.

Above all, prize adaptability, be the one who directs AI, not the one competing with it.

4. Build (and signal) real AI skills, free, in this order

1. Start: learn to code in Python

Kaggle Learn, kaggle.com/learn

2. Then a beginner competition

Kaggle 'Titanic', kaggle.com/c/titanic (under-18s need a parent's OK)

3. Build & ship a small AI project

Put it on GitHub, the strongest signal. Theory: deeplearning.ai (free)

4. Stretch goals, once they're strong

UK AI Olympiad, ukoai.org · British Informatics Olympiad, olympiad.org.uk

Worried about the right choice?

In an AI world the degree matters less than the fit and the skills around it. An EduStrategy report builds your child a shortlist around exactly that, with the data behind every recommendation.

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