

SPECIFICATIONS OR QUALITY SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIST

The role will be largely desk based and not in the factory. May work on specifications with specific customers or raw materials. Could be working on codes of practice or quality systems for the factory. The roles could be in food manufacturing sites, technical centres in food service or at a retailer.

KEY FEATURES

Typical Role Names

- Specifications Technologist
- Vendor Assurance Technologist
- Quality Systems Technologist
- Food Technologist
- Technical Officer

So What is Desirable for a Specifications or Quality Systems Technologist?

There are standards for the technical content of Food Sciences degrees; but there are more aspects you can develop to support success in the workplace. **14 typical graduate roles types** have been identified & this is one of them. Industry have outlined what they think may be the most valuable skills, knowledge and behaviours for this role. They are outlined in **8 themes** then more detail is provided on specific **elements**. Below is the profile for this role.

Desirable Themes for this Role

D3	Data, Numbers and Communications	The ability to embrace information of all types, then use it and disseminate to best advantage.
D7	Dependability	Harnessing your experiences and skills to establish trust in your ability to deliver.

Desirable Elements for this Role

Application of IT
Confidence
Digital Capability
English Proficiency
Handling Data
Negotiation and Influencing

Personal Responsibility
Planning and Organising
Reliability
Thoroughness & Attention to Detail
Values and Credibility
Written Communication

Competencies for Food Graduate Careers

Find out about more technical graduate roles in the food industry and what may be best suited to you in developing your career on (web link to be added in near future)



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