

INTERNATIONAL PLACEMENTS AND INTERNSHIPS

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Student Testimonials



KINGA SOCKO

Bournemouth University, BA Marketing Communications Nepal 2023-4

I believe knowledge from books is necessary, however, practical experience is also essential when choosing a pathway.

Completing a placement year is helpful for future prospects, it's also a time for a student to decide what part of expertise they like the most. Placement Year International opened my eyes in many ways, showing me a pathway I would like to continue.,,

ELLIOTT WALLACE Durham University, BSc Geography Australia 2023-4

I would recommend Placement Year International to any student looking at an overseas option. For my placement I am presenting my own radio show, learning to produce and helping with technical support. I present the "Quantum of Wallace" show, the flagship "Album of the Week" show and numerous drive time shows. I produce a neurological divergence awareness show called "Breaking Waves,





MATTHEW MOLLOY

University of Sheffield, BA Business Management Australia

Placement Year International are very efficient and great with communication, understood what I was looking for and allowed time for if we wanted to choose a different internship. I would highly recommend using them, they opened many doors for me and the experience and memories abroad are worth it compared to a year working locally back home like everyone else. It will help me to stand out against my peers for future career prosects.





Who we are and what we do:

We believe that everyone should have the opportunity to do a placement year, gap year or ad-hoc internship abroad.

WHY?

Placements offer career-building opportunities to deliver strong educational outcomes. They help you to stand out from the crowd when employers are looking at skill sets giving you an advantage for future career prospects.

You'll get an experience unlike most other students; you'll learn about different social, cultural, political, and/or economic perspectives, you'll meet a load of new people who may become lifelong friends, you'll broaden your professional circles and pick up a range of desirable skills for new employers.

WHAT WE OFFER:

Placement Year International offers undergraduate, post graduate and summer gap placement opportunities to students under the business, hospitality, sport and teaching sectors.

Since 2015 we've built a great portfolio of host businesses around the world to ensure that students thrive in a professional work setting.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

Students who understand different cultures, languages and ways of doing business have a real advantage in their future careers. Our destinations have some of the world's fastest developing economies and most vibrant cultures. Many students join our programmes to gain valuable work experience, but also to experience the many other benefits available on international work placements.

I don't know where I am going from here, but I promise it won't be boring David Bowie







WE OFFER 7 DESTINATIONS AROUND THE WORLD



Australia



UK



China



Maldives



Thailand









Career Fields

WE OFFER A WIDE RANGE OF CAREER FIELD OPPORTUNITIES



Business

- Accounting
- Administration
- Business development
- Communications and Social media management
- Engineering
- Environmental
- Event management
- □ Finance
- Graphic/web design
- Human resource management
- Information Technology
- Management consultancy
- Marketing
- Public Relations
- Real Estate management
- Sales
- Sustainability
- Tourism



- Concierge
- Culinary Arts
- Events and Banqueting
- Food and Beverages
- Front of House
- Guest services
- Rooms division
- Sales and Marketing
- Sommelier



Sports, Leisure and Recreation

- Sports Coaching
- Physiotherapy
- Nutrition
- Sports Events
- Physical Therapy
- Leisure Clubs



- Junior schools
- Secondary schools
- Colleges
- Private language schools
- Universities
- Online tuition companies

What's Included



ALL ABOUT OUR PROGRAMMES



What's Included?

- Professional work placement, tailor-made to your requirements and preferences
- Visa support
- Flight assistance
- Accommodation assistance
- Detailed job role description
- CV & interview training
- Video interview with your host company
- Agreement signed with your host company
- Assistance with university forms
- Pre-trip video call to check you're fully prepared
- Ongoing training from your host company
- Support from our friendly expert staff before & during trip
- 24/7 emergency back-up
- Certificate of completion
- Reference



- Depending on your chosen destination we may be able to offer a homestay or on-site accommodation for you, please let us know what you would like to do and we can organise this for you in the most affordable way possible.
- If you want to live in a shared apartment with other young people we will share websites which you can use to find many different accommodation options and contact them directly.
- Alternatively, we can book homestay accommodation near your host company if you want us to take care of accommodation for you. You can choose from a range of meal options.



Not Included

- Flights
- Visas
- Insurance (some universities cover this)





Our Programme Fees

We have done our research to ensure that our pricing remains competitive across all sectors and is as affordable as possible for our students.

What you pay

Acceptance fee: £200

- Paid when you complete our online booking form
- **1st installment:** £300
 - paid within 1 month of joining us
- Placement fee: from £1,300, no fee for UK
 - The Placement Fee can be paid in monthly installments or in a lump sum when your particular host company is confirmed.



Pay and benefits

- Paid opportunities most of our paid opportunities offer some kind of subsidised accommodation and food if not local to your area.
- Unpaid opportunities we often arrange placements to cover three or four days / week, allowing 2 days / week for a part-time job and time for travel at the weekends.
- Interns not wanting to work part-time must have some additional savings to cover their accommodation / food costs.
- All our fees are fully refunded if we are unable to arrange a suitable placement for you.





Application Process

1. Send us your CV & cover letter

- 2. Video interview with a member of our team at the end of the call we will confirm if you are accepted for a placement
- 3. Complete our online booking form & pay £200 acceptance fee
- 4. Receive our confirmation of your place
- 5. Send any documents (we will brief you on this)
- 6. Pay your first instalment of £300 (if applicable) within one month of acceptance



Placement Search Process:



Application

CV shared with potential host companies



Video interviews scheduled with host companies



Interview training with our team on a 1-1 video call



After a successful interview you will receive an offer letter from the host company for you to sign & return

Confirmation of placement acceptance sent to university. We will liaise with them on any documents they require





Additional Steps for International Placements

Application Steps

- **D** Pay outstanding invoice (if applicable)
- Apply for your visa we'll send you instructions
- Agree flight dates with us and buy your flights
- Get any required vaccinations
- Buy travel insurance we'll send you options
- Pre-departure video call with us to check you're ready for the trip and placement
- **Fly to destination!**

We'll message you from our UK head office in Brighton to check you arrived safely and every month we'll check in to ensure you are enjoying your placement and to go through any questions you may have.

We also have dedicated staff in each country to ensure you have peace of mind that you aren't alone!







Funding Options

We believe that everyone should have the choice of doing a placement year, gap year or ad-hoc internship abroad, so we have come up with some handy information and advice to allow those considering an international placement, ways of being able to afford to go.

We have done a lot of research into our affordability, and we pride ourselves on being one of the more cost-effective organisations to host students into placement opportunities.

We offer flexible payment options for all students as well as a staggered payment structure to help avoid big upfront costs.

Below are 3 ideas of the funding you maybe entitled to for international placement opportunities.



Turing Funding

The Turing Scheme provides grant funding to education providers like universities to support their students to pursue study and work placements around the world, this means specifically for international placement opportunities.

Students cannot apply directly to the Department for Education (DfE) for Turing Scheme funding. If you are a student who is interested in studying or working abroad, please contact your university to find out if they have Turing funding and if this can go towards your ideal placement setting.

You can claim up to £147.50 per month for trips four to eight weeks long and for anything over eight weeks you can claim up to £445 per month. This is often awarded on a first-come first-served basis, so our advice is to discuss this early on in the year with your university.



Funding

BUTEX Funding

Many UK universities are now members of a scholarship programme called BUTEX.

Each year BUTEX awards a number of scholarships to undergraduate students studying abroad for a term or a whole academic year, and students undertaking a summer school programme, overseas work / internship / traineeship placement of varying lengths of time.

BUTEX scholarships are based on a calendar year and not the academic year.

The scholarships can be applied for through your university and contributions are roughly around £500.





Raising Your Own Funding

FundMyTravel gives travellers their own platform for raising money.

Large crowdfunding sites contain campaigns for everything from new businesses to community projects to family emergencies, making it challenging for travellers to find their voice. FundMyTravel is uniquely used for those that want to raise money for travel.

It can help to budget for your trip, incentivise donors to contribute, and even request offline support. Students can reach out to friends and family and help them get their ideal placement or international experience.

https://www.fundmytravel.com/



Health & Safety



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Our Support

Placement Year International are a UK business, our staff have done placements internationally and have experienced summer placements all over the world. We have a hands-on approach from enquiry to placement completion to ensure that our students feel safe, prepared and excited to embark on their new journey.

We have dedicated staff in each destination... to ensure that students have a direct contact in their time zone but we also offer full support here in the UK too. Our unrivaled support includes:

- Unlimited support and guidance from first initial call
- Monthly video calls with our staff & other interns going to same destination. Get updates from us, ask us questions, meet other students before the trip
- Whatsapp us, call us, email us with questions at any time
- Scheduled 1-1 video calls before booking, before host company interview, before starting placement
- Detailed placement description and role given to each student; shared with universities for approval if joining for a university placement
- Staff in each country to assist with any enquiries or problems during placement
- Vetted housing with either homestay families or shared accommodation
- Ongoing monitoring of travel warnings and international travel information

Case Studies







Shane Irani BSC Sports Coaching Bournemouth University 6 month Placement Location: Sydney, Australia

I am currently football coaching at a soccer academy in Sydney.

Doing an international placement has helped me to gain valuable knowledge and hands on experience of the career I wish to pursue.

I am responsible for assisting coaches in effective sessions, the set-up of equipment and pitches and helping out with logistics. I directly coach children of multiple ages from 2-12 years old and have involvement with the school of excellence in more technical based training. I can also referee tournaments.

Doing a placement year has helped me to organise and lead appropriate sessions, I now understand the role of a coach and have fully immersed myself in another culture.

I believe Placement Year International found the right host company in the right area which I'm thankful for, they provided a service to organise the trip with a friendly feel, so I felt supported throughout.

For anyone thinking of doing an international placement my advice is to hit the ground running and make the most of your time because it can go really quickly!



Case Studies





In my private life, I love travelling. I had never been to Asia but always wanted to go! A placement in Nepal seemed like an excellent opportunity to gain work experience and life experience.

I work for a consulting company in their marketing team. I have different tasks every week. From the beginning I was responsible for blog writing for the company's website and email communications with customers. I have been doing a lot of research and collecting data and I gained some digital knowledge.

I also work with the digital marketing team, where I complete tasks such as bookmarking and creating captions for online postings.

These past few months taught me a lot. First of all, I am more mature now. I learnt new problem-solving methods. Observing people and their fantastic culture helped me grow personally and develop new points of view.

I firmly believe that travelling shows people how to be tolerant, respectful and grateful. This is what I gained in Nepal.

I was looking for an affordable way of completing my placement abroad, and Placement Year International met all my expectations.



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