

# Can you host a student placement?

7<sup>th</sup> May – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Second year undergraduates seeking 5-week, unpaid placements.



## What is Work Based Learning?

As part of their programme of study, our second year undergraduates have the opportunity to engage in a 5-week work placement. This provides students with insights into future careers and introduces them to work-based skills development and critical reflection whilst contributing to the work of the host organisation. We are looking for organisations who can:

- Provide a 5-week unpaid placement, 7<sup>th</sup> May – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019\*.
- Involve a student in the organisation like a regular employee.
- Agree tasks and objectives with the student through a Placement Objectives Document.
- Provide any reasonable adjustments for those with disabilities/SEN\*\*.
- Conduct appraisal\*\*.

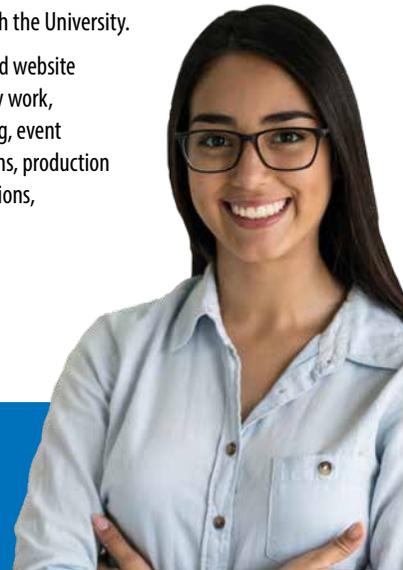
\*150 hours minimum over not less than five weeks (workload to be negotiated between the individual and the organisation). We really appreciate placement providers taking individual's other commitments into consideration, e.g. childcare, part-time work.

\*\*Guidance available on request.

## How can you benefit?

- An extra pair of hands for busy periods.
- Get a fresh perspective and new ideas.
- Students can take responsibility for a particular project or task.
- Help to develop the workforce of the future.
- Development opportunities for your staff.
- Further collaborative work with the University.

Previous placements have included website design, animal welfare, laboratory work, coaching, research, menu planning, event coordination, marketing campaigns, production of instructional DVDs, art installations, choreography and much more.



## How do you offer a placement?

If you would like to offer placements through the University then please complete and return a Placement Offer Form. We will make placements available to our students and coordinate the shortlisting and matching process based on your requirements. Once names are confirmed, the applicant/s will contact you directly with a CV and covering letter.

If you have already provisionally agreed to offer a placement directly to a student, they will send your details to the University. We will then send out a placement confirmation pack to you.

We expect all students will attend an interview and agree to some placement objectives prior to their University-based Induction Programme (week commencing 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019).

For all forms and further information please visit [www.chester.ac.uk/wbl](http://www.chester.ac.uk/wbl)



## DBS, vaccinations and costs

Students will meet their own enhanced DBS check costs and the applications process will be carried out by the University for placements that include regulated activity with children and/or vulnerable adults. If students require specific vaccinations prior to undertaking their placement please inform Work Based Learning and the student as soon as possible. Students will be expected to meet any costs required for vaccinations.

All placements are unpaid. Students can apply to the University for a subsidy for travel to and from the placement. The University is not able to reimburse students for any additional expenses incurred through the placement e.g. travel as part of work, purchase of uniforms etc. We would ask the organisation to make any such costs clear to students prior to the start of placement and offer financial assistance if appropriate.



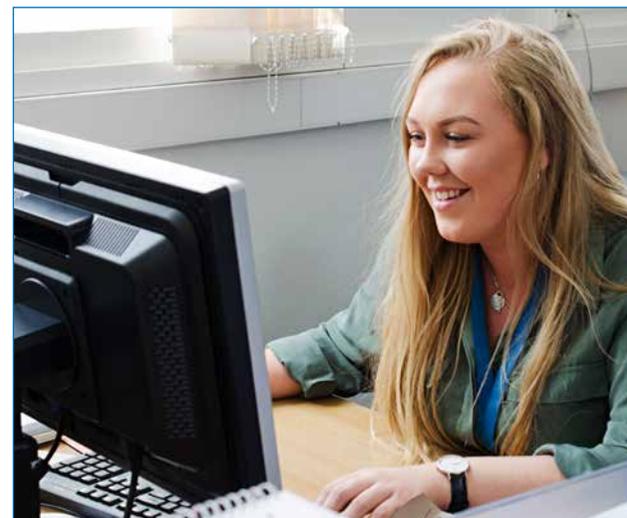
WBL is an **excellent scheme** and every year we receive **high quality students** who always produce an excellent report that I can use to evidence the value of my organisation's work.

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## Subject areas

As well as transferable work-based skills that our students can bring to a placement, they also have course specific knowledge which they are eager to apply. The programmes of study that currently feature a Work Based Learning module include:

- Accounting and Finance, Business Finance, Business Management, Events and Festivals Management, Events Management, Global Entrepreneurship and Business Management, International Business Management, International Tourism Management, Marketing and Advertising Management, Marketing Management.
- Advertising, Broadcast Production and Presenting, Film Studies, Journalism, Media, Media Studies, Music Journalism, Music Production and Promotion, Commercial Music Production, Sports Journalism.
- Animal Behaviour, Animal Behaviour and Welfare.
- Applied Psychology, Community Policing and Criminal Investigation, Counselling Skills, Criminology, Economics, Economics and Business, Forensic Psychology, International Relations, Politics, Psychology, Sociology.
- Archaeology, History.
- Biology, Bioveterinary Science, Conservation Biology, Forensic Biology, Human Nutrition.
- Chinese, French, Modern Languages, Spanish.
- Computer Science, Cybersecurity, Games Development.
- Creative Writing, English – Language and Literature.
- Dance, Drama and Theatre Studies, Performing Arts, Popular Music Performance.
- Digital Photography, Fashion Design, Fashion Marketing and Communication, Fine Art, Graphic Design, Interior Design, Product Design.
- Early Childhood Studies, Education Studies.
- Geography, International Development Studies, Natural Hazard Management.
- Health and Social Care.
- Law.
- Mathematics.
- Religious Studies, Theology.
- Sport and Exercise Sciences, Sport Development and Coaching, Sport Management, Sports Coaching.



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The University of Chester has dedicated Work Based Learning offices in Chester and Warrington to oversee the whole placement process. If you are unsure whether a placement will be suitable, please call one of our expert Placement Consultants.

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