

# Experiencing Industry and Entrepreneurship: Placements

Information for study abroad students

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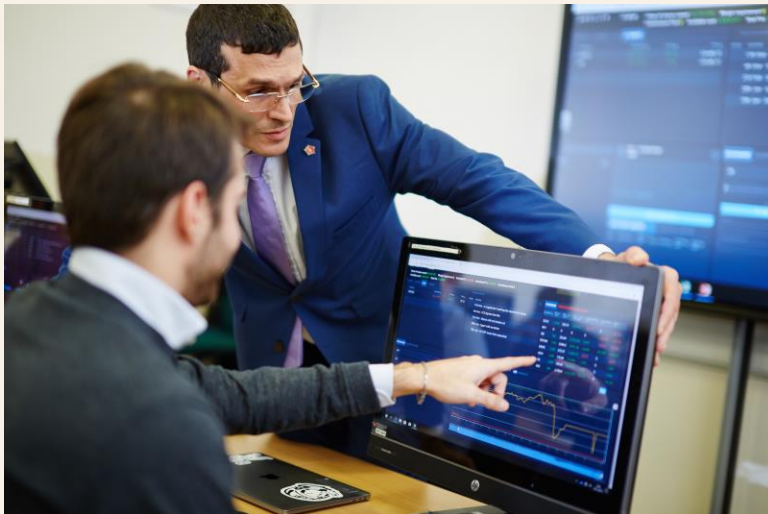
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# OVERVIEW

This industry placement module is an opportunity for you to gain professional work experience with a London-based company in a role that is aligned with your career interests.

We source your placement for you with our placements partner - [AIFS Abroad](#).

The module and placement opportunities are available in Spring term and part of the Summer programme





## Elevate Your CV

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You'll gain **real-world professional experience** with a **London-based business**, where you will be able to apply what you've learned during your degree and beyond.



## Develop Your Professional Skills

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You'll work directly with an exciting organisation, where you'll develop your **communication, teamwork and problem-solving skills**.

# PLACEMENT OPTIONS

- ❖ General Business
- ❖ International Relations
- ❖ Media
- ❖ Fashion
- ❖ Museums – historical archives



## A Wide Range of Placement Options

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You'll be able to choose from **a list of placement roles**, where you will be matched to a placement that **aligns with your career goals**.

- ❖ Marketing
- ❖ Social Services
- ❖ Business
- ❖ NGOs
- ❖ Sports

# THE FORMAT OF PLACEMENTS

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**Placement  
Dates**

**Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May – Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June**

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**Weekly Time  
Commitment**

You will spend up to 40 hours per week working on your full time placement. This may vary depending on your position and agreement with the employer

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**Placement  
Supervision**

You will have a dedicated supervisor at your placement provider

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**Academic  
placement tutor**

You will have a weekly timetabled mandatory session on campus or online with your academic tutor to ensure you are on track with the module learning outcomes and the module assessment requirements

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# DATES AND DEADLINES

In order for *AIFS Abroad* to find you a placement, here are the key dates you need to follow.

If you miss these deadlines, you cannot commence the module (see FAQs for more details).

1<sup>st</sup> October

Complete your *study abroad* application (details sent by [studyabroad@regents.ac.uk](mailto:studyabroad@regents.ac.uk)) by **1<sup>st</sup> October**. We will review your application and send you an offer of study

14<sup>th</sup> November

Once you have accepted the offer to study, we will send you a link to register with *AIFS Abroad*. You must register with AIFS by **14<sup>th</sup> November** and pay the fee of \$2,900 unless your home institution has made alternate arrangements

November -  
December

*An AIFS Abroad advisor* will be in touch with you to initiate the Career Readiness Programme

January - May

Leading up to your placement, you will engage with an *AIFS Abroad* advisor to identify and discuss a suitable placement opportunity and to prepare for the interview with a potential employer. Following the interview, your advisor will notify you of the outcome and next steps

# AIFS ABROAD FEE SCHEDULE

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| 28 November                  | If you withdraw from the module before this date, you will be liable for a \$500 non-refundable deposit    |
| 29 November -<br>28 December | If you withdraw from the module between these dates, you will be liable for \$1,700 (inclusive of deposit) |
| After 29<br>December         | If you withdraw from the module after this date, you will be liable for the full amount of \$2,900         |

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*AIFS Abroad* provides an award-winning Global Career Readiness Program which combines assessments, career coaching, and experiential learning to connect students' academic knowledge with their professional ambitions.

- ❖ Maximise your talents: *CliftonStrengthsFinder® Assessment*
- ❖ Identify, develop and articulate key skills that are highly in demand in the workplace, and discover what inspires you: *One-on-One Career Strength Coaching, Goal Setting and Career Planning*
- ❖ Tailor your CV and professional profile
- ❖ Build self-confidence and define a strategy for your career path: *Interview Preparation*

# FAQs - PLACEMENT EXPECTATIONS

## How exactly do I get placed

Hard work and years of experience! The *AIFS Abroad* Placement Team identifies a host employer that matches your skills, qualifications, interests/goals, and availability of placements. When an employer is interested in interviewing you you interview, you ace it, you got it.

## How will my placement and my attendance be monitored?

We remain in constant contact with placement providers regarding your attendance and engagement in your placement. Your attendance is tracked and monitored for UKVI and module assessment purposes. Any student on a *Student Visa* who does not fully engage in their placement will be in breach of their visa requirements and is at risk of failing the module.

## Am I able to swap my placement with another student who has been matched to a different company?

No. The *AIFS Abroad* Placement Team do the matching process based on their understanding of students' goals and the many other factors that go into placements, such as timing, availability, and the qualifications of the student. The *AIFS Abroad employer* portfolio varies widely and includes large, medium, and small enterprises, with both established names and start-ups. Students may not request a size of a company, nor a specific company directly.

## What happens if I don't like the company I interviewed with?

Nine times out of 10 the interview goes well, and it is a good fit all around. *AIFS Abroad* works tirelessly to match students with the company most suited to their skills and goals. If it doesn't seem like a good fit, PLEASE let your *AIFS Abroad* advisor know as soon as possible!

## If I have any questions or concerns regarding my placement, who should I contact?

If you have any questions regarding the specific work you are doing on your placement, you should direct these questions to your supervisor at your placement provider. However, if you have any concerns regarding your supervisor, or general question regarding the placement please contact your *AIFS Abroad* advisor who will be happy to help. Alternatively, you can always contact *StudyAbroad* team at Regent's and we will liaise with your *AIFS Abroad* advisor.

## I've decided I don't want to do a placement anymore, can I switch modules?

You should let us know as soon as you know that you'd like to make the change. Depending on when you inform us, we will try to enrol you on a different module although if it is full, we will ask you for alternatives. Please also be mindful of the *AIFS Abroad* fee schedule.

## When I am matched to a placement, what will I receive?

When you have secured the placement, you will receive an email with a detailed overview of your placement, their contact details, address and expected tasks of your placement.

## What will my schedule be?

Students should expect to work full time, of up to 40 hours per week. Most schedules will be 9-5, but it's entirely up to the host company and the student to work out their exact working schedule, including whether they will be required to work any evenings or weekends (as it may happen, especially in the creative industry sector).

## Will I get paid?

No. Most international internships are unpaid for a variety of reasons. Regardless, this is an experiential opportunity to apply your studies in your career field of interest. The commodity here is time. In exchange for your time and dedication to your host employer, they'll spend time training you, teaching you, and giving you valuable field experience.

# Questions?

Contact:  
[studyabroad@regents.ac.uk](mailto:studyabroad@regents.ac.uk)

