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Journalism and Editorial Internship in London

Trip Name: Journalism and Editorial Internship in London **Trip Code:** UKIJ **Duration:** From 8 weeks

Key Facts

We place our talented interns from around the world in major newspapers, magazines, radio stations, television stations and film production companies throughout London.

Journalism and media are notoriously competitive industries and through our internships you will learn from leading professionals in the sector. There is no substitute for hands on experience, and during our internship you'll gain a wealth of knowledge and insight.



Jobs within journalism and media are highly desired and very competitive. The boost to a resume of a major name in the industry, combined with international experience, is unparalleled. As we work with some of the biggest names in the media industry we are able to accommodate your preferences and tailor your internship to ensure you get the experience necessary to further your career in Journalism.

Overview

Experience/ Qualifications required: You should have strong written and verbal English, exceptional communication and creative writing skills and be able to work to tight deadlines.

Nationalities: This programme is open to all nationalities (subject to visa requirements) except for UK residents.

Typical Hours: Monday-Friday; 7-8 hours per day.

Remuneration: Unpaid position.

Please note: Our UK internships are not available to UK applicants.

Destination Info

Itinerary



We are partnered with some of the highest profile organisations in the UK, based in the heart of London. Your internship will provide a fantastic platform to hone your journalistic and editorial skills in a dynamic and creative environment. Our partners include the UK's biggest Sunday newspaper, where we place participants on their International News Desk, and one of London's most famous hotels, where our interns write the weekly publications.

Each internship is designed around your future career plans and aspirations. When you apply our team in London will discuss your options and match the experience you are looking for with the opportunities available within our vast network of organisations in London.

Example- Sunday newspaper Internship

You will be working closely with the International Desk of one of the most popular newspapers in the UK, helping to edit pieces for the weekly publication and assisting with the research and preparation of several pieces. You will be able to gain an insight into how one of the UK's largest paper operates and will develop some key editorial and journalistic skills. You will then spend some time with the picture or online desk and work closely with their teams to assist the requests of the relevant desks.

Our partner organisations are accustomed to hosting interns so you can be assured of a very high quality learning experience. Our aim is to give you the platform to develop the skills and experience necessary to compete in this highly competitive sector. All supervisors in the host companies are experienced in working with international interns.

Throughout your journalism placement you will be involved with a variety of roles and tasks with plenty of opportunities to use and develop your creative talent. These may include, but are not limited to:

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- Conduct research for stories, themes and/or promotions in line with the host organisations objectives during your stay
- Opportunities to develop key editorial and journalistic skills
- Work alongside top writers for first class organisations.
- See your work in print and give you the opportunity to build a strong portfolio of work

Once you have applied you will receive a full list of opportunities in your field.

We recognise that undertaking an internship internationally will be a new experience for many students and that it can be a daunting prospect. Our team of full time staff are based in London and on hand to ensure that everyone has the support needed to excel in their roles and to have a memorable time in the company of an international mix of students. From online correspondence to face to face advice and support, we aim to facilitate a seamless transition from the classroom into the work place. A mid-internship review is included as standard.



An internship in London is not only a fantastic opportunity to develop your resume, it is a great opportunity to experience life in one of the most vibrant, culturally rich and diverse cities in the world!

In addition to a first class internship and great accommodation, you will receive 24/7 support on the ground from our local, full-time team. This includes thorough pre-trip information, a welcome & safety orientation on arrival, airport pick-up & ongoing assistance throughout your stay.

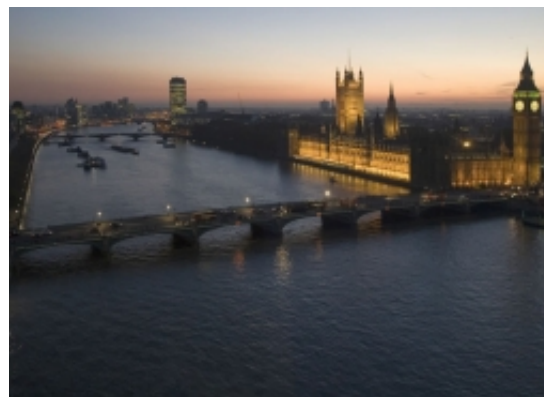
London is a hub for international students, and we organise regular social and cultural events. Our goal is to provide you with many opportunities to meet new people and so you can make new contacts from around the world!

Our events which operate all year round include:

- Welcome orientation
- London city tour

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- River Thames boat trip
- West End theatre night



The summer is the most popular time for international students to join our programme, and as a result we have designed a great summer programme that gives you the opportunity to explore London with us on a variety of day trips and nights out, as well as a weekend away in Europe. The summer programme has two start dates and will run for 8 weeks. If you would like to extend over 8 weeks then this is also possible, please speak with our team for details.

Our events in our summer program includes:

- Welcome orientation and party
- London city tour
- River Thames boat trip
- West End theatre night
- Weekend in Paris (Eurostar & 2 nights accommodation)
- Oxford day trip
- Tickets to the Wimbledon tennis tournament
- Shakespeare night at The Globe theatre
- Closing party



Step 1: Application

To apply for this internship we ask you to either call us or apply online using the link below. When you apply we will request information on your emergency contact details, passport number and your health background and other important information. At this stage a deposit payment is requested, this deposit is non-refundable, unless

your application is declined by our team in London.

- A completed application form (provided upon deposit payment)
- Current CV /resume detailing your work and study history

Note: If your internship is part of your university course, and requires accreditation this can easily be arranged. We request a letter from your tutor supporting your application for an internship.

Step 2: Telephone/Skype interview with our Internship Coordinator

Once we have your application pack we will contact you to arrange an informal interview with our internship coordinator who will be your main contact before you leave for London.

Step 3: Accepting the placement

We will send you a formal offer letter for you to sign, along with a clear summary of the types of roles you will be involved with during your internship.

Step 4: Interview with your host company

Your internship coordinator will arrange a date and time for an interview with your host company.

Step 5: Payment of full program fees and sign placement description and agreement

At this stage we will help you to organise a suitable visa to enable you to work in London.

Accommodation

During your placement you have the opportunity to experience London life first hand and in the company of students from around the world. We offer high quality shared student accommodation and you can choose between a private or shared bedroom (sharing with one other person) in a self catered student apartment.

All accommodation options are of high quality and are situated in good, safe areas within London. Our apartments have been carefully selected so that a commute to work will not exceed 45 minutes door to door. Transport on the tube (subway) is included in the price of the programme to give you the opportunity to explore this fascinating and friendly city.

Programme Services and Facilities

All participants on our London internship programmes will receive a public transit card for the full duration of their stay. This will be valid throughout the whole of central London and can be used on buses, the London underground and trains to travel free of cost at any time.

Meals

Meals are not included in the programme price. Accommodations are self catering and Interns should budget extra for meals.

What's Included

- Pre-arrival guidance and instructions
- Visa assistance
- Airport pickup
- Welcome orientation
- Planned weekday & weekend activities
- Seminar Series
- Quality Housing
- Internship placement
- 24/7 Support throughout your placement
- Academic Credit
- Professionally revised resume
- Career mentoring and interview coaching
- All subway transport



What's Not Included

- Flights
- Travel insurance (we can help with this)
- Visa costs
- Meals



Is This Trip For You?

This program is an investment in your future and will give you a substantial advantage over your peers. An international work placement will significantly aid you when searching for long-term employment. Previous interns have also received full time offers of employment from their host companies in London upon the completion of their internship. And the above doesn't even touch on your personal development and the fun you will have!

We accept applications on a rolling admissions basis for internships throughout the year. All applications must be in at least 6 weeks before the programme start date. We operate on a first come first serve basis so we encourage early applications.

All students who are accepted into our program are provided with our **full money-back guarantee**. This means we promise to place you in an internship with a company you approve of or you will receive a full refund if you decide not to proceed. Our moneyback guarantee ends once you have formally accepted the placement after your telephone or skype interview with the host company.

FAQs

1. Are these internships paid?

Our mission is to facilitate internship opportunities for international students. Whether these internships are paid or not is down to each specific placement company.

2. Why should I join this programme?

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3. I am from the UK - can I still apply?

Unfortunately we are unable to accept applications from UK residents.

4. When is the deadline to apply?

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5. Can I live at a relative's house and take the housing out of the cost?

We are generally unable to remove any elements from our All-Inclusive program to reduce the cost. The employers we work with depend on this service, in turn making you more reliable. However, if you have particular needs please do contact us.

6. Can I see a list of employers?

After you have applied we will provide you with a full list of opportunities in your sector.

7. What hours can I expect to work?

Typically, participants work an average week of no more than 40 hours. The company at which you are interning will set your work hours but the majority of internships will take place between 9 am and 6 pm.

8. Can I obtain academic credit?

All participants will be able to obtain academic credit if necessary via our partner university.

9. When should I apply?

You should apply at least 6 weeks before you wish to begin your internship in London. However, we strongly encourage early applications in order to avoid disappointment, our internship placements are on a first come first serve basis.

10. Is attendance at our events mandatory?

All of our events and activities that we organise are optional, but your job is not. With your internship placement, you may not miss work for any reason other than health and family emergencies unless previously approved by both our in country directors and your employer.

DBS

This trip requires a Police Check to be carried out - please contact us for further information on how to do this.

Support & Advice

Your safety is paramount which is why all our programs have been visited and assessments have been conducted to ensure any major risks have been minimized.

In addition, you will have access to a 24 hour emergency contact number so you can contact one of our staff at any time should you need to. In addition our overseas partners and coordinators are on hand in-country to assist you.

Financial Security

We know that the last thing you want to worry about when you're planning your trip of a lifetime is whether your money is in safe hands. As a leading global gap year provider it's our job to make sure your finances are secure, so when you book with us you can be confident that we do just that.

Real Gap Experience is part of TUI Travel Plc, one of the largest travel organisations in the world, and these days in the travel industry, large means secure.

Insurance

Whether you're traveling for two weeks or two years, trekking the Amazon in Ecuador or on safari in Africa, insurance is an essential part of your adventure and will help you enjoy your travels, secure in the knowledge that you have the protection you need. In fact, everyone traveling with us must have adequate cover before their trip begins.

Of course you are free to buy insurance from any provider, however at Real Gap Experience, we have partnered with World Nomads to offer policies that have been specifically designed to meet the needs of global travel. If you think you're already covered by an existing policy, such as those offered by credit card providers, check the policy wording very carefully to ensure it covers you for your Real Gap Experience.

For more information on travel insurance please contact us to speak to one of our travel advisors.

Money Matters

The currency in the UK is the Pound Sterling (GBP; symbol £), which is subdivided into 100 pence. Coins come in denominations of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 pence and 1 and 2 pounds. Notes come in denominations of 5, 10, 20, 50.

Most major credit cards such as American Express, Diners Club, MasterCard and Visa are widely accepted. ATMs can be found throughout the country though may charge a transactional fee for using an international card.

Meal, Inexpensive Restaurant £10
Domestic Beer (1 pint) £3.60
Coke/Pepsi (0.33 litre bottle) £1.80
Water (0.33 litre bottle) £1.00

(Prices quoted in GBP)

Passports and Visas

All nationalities require a full passport that must be valid for 6 months beyond the intended length of stay. It is your responsibility to have the correct personal documents and to obtain your own visa, if one is necessary, in accordance with the regulations of the country you are to visit. The information offered below is to help you with that process. We are not responsible for the actions of local immigration and customs officials, whether at points of entry or otherwise, and any subsequent effects.

Please note this programme is only available to Australian citizens.

To take part in this programme you must have a visa allowing you to work in the UK. If you are between 19 and 30 years of age you can apply for a Youth Mobility Tier 5 Visa. If you are 31 or over you must be able to apply for an

ancestral visa or hold an EU passport.

Vaccinations & Health

Travel health can often be something people forget about before going away, but a little preparation and knowledge can go a long way to help you stay fit and healthy while abroad. The risks to your health whilst travelling will vary depending on your general health and the type of activities you are going to be partaking in and the length of your stay.

Since we are not medically qualified, it is recommended that you consult with your Doctor or a recognised Travel Medical Advisory Service who will assess your particular health risks before recommending vaccines and/or anti-malarial tablets and advising you on what precautions you should take.

Weather

The UK climate is diverse and constantly changing, so much so that you could experience four seasons in one day! During the summer, temperatures can reach 20-25 degrees centigrade, whilst in the winter months it is not uncommon for temperatures to drop below freezing. Rainfall in the UK varies depending on the location, typically the northern regions and the moors of the south-west experience the highest average rainfall.

Time

The UK is 8 hours behind EST.

Electricity

Electricity in the UK uses 230 volts, 50Hz. Outlets across the UK accept the following plug type;



Three flat pins

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You can rest assured that it is always our goal to provide you with the most rewarding trip and experience ever!

Our Details

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