

Global Work Experience D6001

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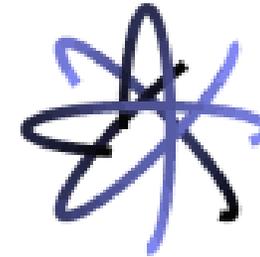
- This module allows you to gain **practical work experience** related to your degree and develop **employability skills for after graduation**
- You will attend **5 class-based workshops (weeks 1-4 and week 11)** and carry out a **minimum of 50 hours of work experience** over the Autumn Term
- **Assessment:**
 - 1500-word career portfolio (30%)
 - 3500-word reflexive essay (70%)
- Work experience placements can be **in-person, hybrid, or virtual**, and must fit around your existing studies
- You will be expected to be proactive in finding your placement host organization, but **we are here to support you!**

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Frequently Asked Questions

The Global Work Experience runs differently to your other modules: you will only have 5 weeks of class, and will do your work experience independently.

Here are some answers to questions that often come up.

Please feel welcome to get in touch with Julia if you have any further questions!

I already volunteer with an organisation. Can this count towards this module?

Yes, absolutely, provided you carry on volunteering in the Autumn term.

When do I need to find a placement by?

1 September 2026 – lots of time!

Why are there only 5 weeks of timetabled class?

This is to allow you time to dedicate to your placement within the term. Most students do their placement when we don't have class, between weeks 5-10. Julia runs extra office hours and optional check ins during the weeks when you don't have class, so you can always count on face-to-face interaction if you have questions, need support, or want to check in!

How do I structure my work hours?

This is ultimately up to you and your host organisation. You could do 10 hours per week for 5 weeks (most common); 5 hours per week for 10 weeks; or condense your work hours over a shorter period.

I don't have any work experience, and don't know where to start. How should I go about finding a placement?

There are plenty of resources available to support you! Julia will run a placement workshop and offer 1-2-1 support before and during the summer. You will also have access to a database of past host organisations to get started. You also can seek individual support from the dedicated Careers Team via CareerHub.

Can I do more than 50 hours?

Of course! The 50 hours is a minimum.