



# INTERNSHIP GURU

CAREER BRIDGE PROGRAMME



# WHERE WE STAND NOW

Twenty years ago, Britain's sixth formers would expect to hear: "Leave school aged 18, start your career and earn a very reasonable income." Also, "enjoy 3 years at university, graduate and head straight into your desired profession." These scenarios often came true, which contrasts vividly with where we stand today.

Today, entry into the UK's employment market is fiercely competitive. Knowing this is adding undue pressure on pupils. Unlike previous generations of high achievers, today's students understand that to attain success after next year's A-levels, more will be demanded of them than ever before. Many companies, for example, are favouring school-leavers and graduates with international work-experience on their CVs.

At **InternshipGuru**, our exemplary reputation is founded on our international undergraduate and graduate programmes. Since 2014, we've been equipping students with a perfect mix of practical work experience, personal development and cultural insights..

# INTRODUCING CAREER BRIDGE

In 2016, we devised a work internship programme specifically for A-level students. The result is Career Bridge, a residential programme for forward-thinking 17 to 18 year old school leavers. Based on the idyllic island of Malta, we are launching our first Career Bridge in July 2017. The 29-day programme gives participants valuable work experience.

Career Bridge programmes prepare some participants for work; others for university. Under our diligent supervision, each student will fly to our InternshipGuru centre in Valletta, Malta. To begin their 4 week work placement in the attached sectors. More information about our placements can be found in the sector booklet.

We've designed these days to be the perfect precursor to university and/or a career. After-hours, participants will be involved in plenty of social activities and adventure excursions.

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CAREER BRIDGE IS A  
PERFECT NEXT MOVE**

By enrolling on to our Career Bridge programme, some A-level graduates will be coached in preparing for university, others live as an entrepreneur, junior manager or employee. Students will also gain opportunities to:

- Become more independent, self-reliant and emotionally mature
- Demonstrate initiative, adaptability and flexibility
- Experience cultural diversity and become more socially aware
- Add experience to their CVs
- Familiarise themselves with new languages and internationally network

Most students who've gained good A-levels will have far-reaching ambitions. For them, stepping onto Career Bridge is a perfect next move. Our advice to you, as a parent, guardian, teacher or head teacher is to reserve a place on InternshipGuru Career Bridge 2017 Programme.

The programme is based in Malta and the internships take place in organisations based on the island. The hands-on experience will influence the future success of every participant.

With InternshipGuru Career Bridge on their CVs, students will increase their likelihood of being accepted into:

- Full-time employment in their desired field
- Apprenticeship and higher apprenticeship schemes

# WHY MALTA?

- Malta is a growing as a hub for students who want to gain vocational experience. As it's an English-speaking nation, there are no language barriers. The Maltese archipelago is a developed, modern European state. The economy is strong, and a wide variety of businesses operate there. Due to Malta's favourable company tax laws, many corporations reside there, so there are plenty of opportunities for Career Bridge students.
- Valletta, the capital of Malta, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site with 7,000 years of history. Malta offers a wealth of national culture and festivals, and warm, attractive Mediterranean beaches. There are many challenging and exciting leisure activities available. Also, during Career Bridge course-time, our students can attend up to three commercial networking events.

# CAREER BRIDGE ESSENTIALS

## **What are the programme dates?**

02/07/2017 - 30/07/2017 (29 days)

## **Which company will I intern at?**

Once you have gone through our application process, we will place you in a business, company or organisation that best suits your ambitions.

## **Are airport transfers provided?**

You will be picked up from your school to the airport. Once in Malta, a transfer is provided to your accommodation. On leaving Malta, an InternshipGuru representative will accompany you to the airport.

## **Who do I meet at my internship workplace?**

You will be met by your workplace mentor on your first day.

## **Where will I stay?**

Accommodation is provided. See page 8.

## **How do I get to my internship workplace?**

You will be given a monthly buss pass and either walk or take bus to your internship.

## **Are meals provided?**

You will be given a weekly budget on your FairFX card for shopping.

## **How will I know how well I'm performing at my workplace?**

We will administer your performance plan with regular reviews and one-to-ones.

## **What happens if I lose my passport and personal items?**

You will be expected to take copies of important documents and keep those in safe holdings. A member of the InternshipGuru team is available 24/7 to assist you.

## **Is insurance included?**

Insurance is provided.

## **Is there an emergency contact?**

You will be provided with a 24-hour hotline to a InternshipGuru team member based in Malta.

## **Who looks after my finances?**

You will control you own finances and will be given a FairFX cash card that can easily be topped up as a secure method of holding cash.

# CAREER BRIDGE EXCURSIONS

- Social activities
- Business & professional networking associations
- Classical culture tours
- Trekking
- Water-sports
- Scuba-diving
- Quad biking
- Paintballing
- Timeout on Popeye beach
- Rock climbing
- Go-karting

# CAREER BRIDGE ACCOMMODATION

- Residential apartments — all are within walking-distance to shops and bus stops
- Shared rooms (same sex)
- Facilities include WiFi, TV, washing machine, iron, ironing board, fully equipped kitchen, weekly maid service, necessary maintenance







# FEE

## FOR A FEE OF £4,000 YOUR STUDENT WILL RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING:

- A stimulating work placement in their chosen field
  - Accommodation
  - Return flights to Malta
  - Airport transfers from school
  - All weekend excursions and networking events
  - A money travel card preloaded with food budget
  - A bus pass
  - Comprehensive insurance
  - Excursions
  - Networking events
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- £500 deposit is needed to secure your place.
  - Payment in instalments is available on request.
  - The final balance must be paid in full by 3rd May 2017.

# PARTNERS



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