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EMPLOYABILITY LINK

A GUIDE FOR EMPLOYERS

Linking talented students
and graduates with
forward-looking businesses

OPPORTUNITIES FOR:

- GRADUATE RECRUITMENT
- WORK PLACEMENT
- PART-TIME JOBS
- VOLUNTARY WORK



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FRESH THINKING. NEW IDEAS

Employability is a key theme in all that we do at UWS: with us, you can create opportunities for our students and graduates and enhance the development of your own organisation.

Our Employability Link team:

- operates across the University campuses in Ayr, Dumfries, Hamilton and Paisley
- offers an integrated service matching needs of businesses to the pool of UWS students and graduates
- ensures employer views and requirements are embedded in UWS course design and delivery



GRADUATE RECRUITMENT

Our experienced team of Careers Advisers will assist you to promote your business or industry as an employer of choice. We can:

- organise careers events and recruitment presentations for target groups of students
- arrange campus visits or information stands on any of our campuses
- offer a free online vacancy service for you to recruit from a pool of graduates



WORK PLACEMENTS – INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

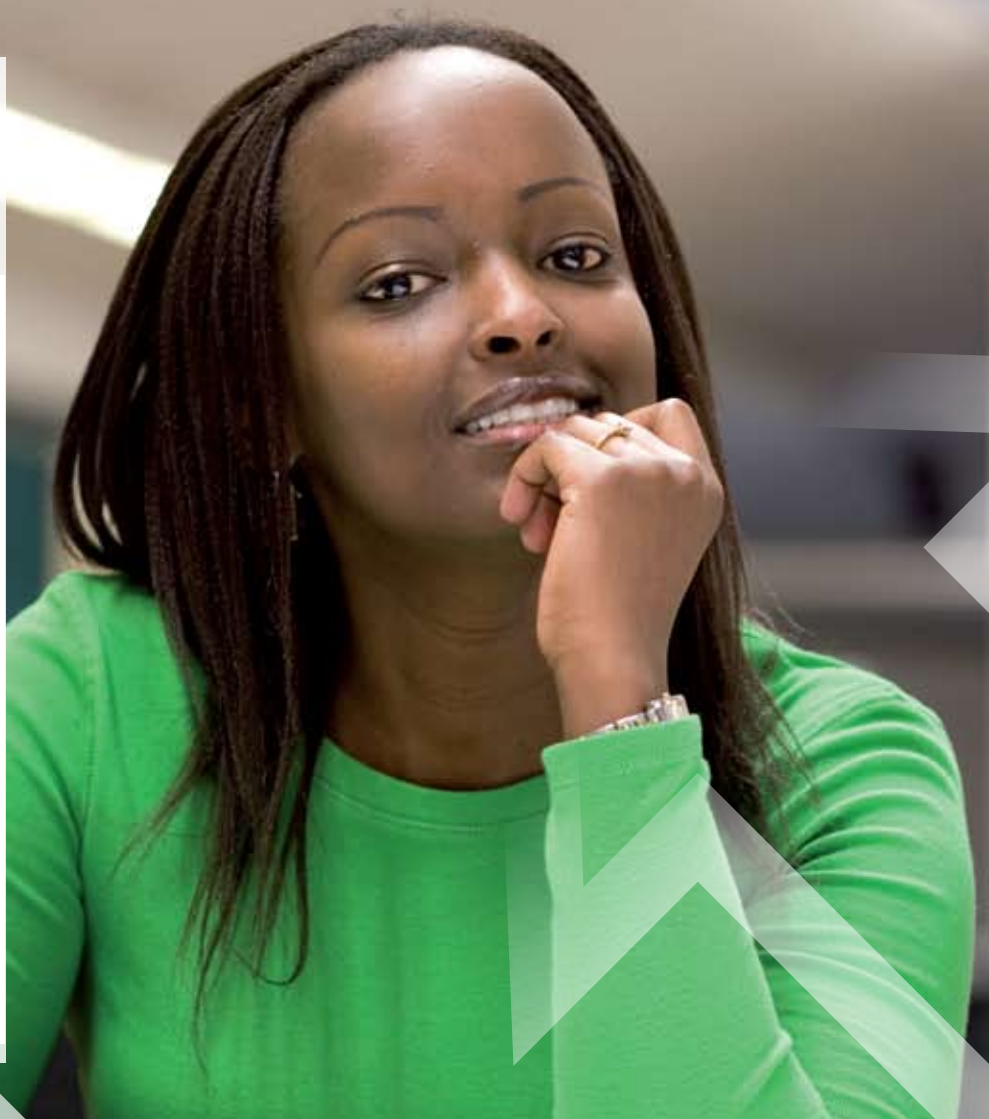
Work placement or internship is a useful way to introduce new ideas to your business and develop the skills of potential future employees.

Students could work in your business, for example, on short projects or on 12-month sandwich placements. Finding a work placement student is made easy for you. Our service includes:

- help with recruitment
- provision of presentation and interview facilities
- support and guidance during the placement

PART-TIME & SEASONAL JOBS

If you employ part-time, temporary, seasonal staff or are looking for volunteers, our **FREE** Job Shop service will advertise your vacancy and give your business access to a pool of students with transferable skills, who are available for work while they study.



THE BENEFITS OF WORKING WITH THE EMPLOYABILITY LINK

By helping students get real-life work experience and gain transferable skills, you will be making an important contribution to your corporate social responsibility strategy.

Students and graduates bring fresh thinking, motivation and enthusiasm to large and small organisations and bring additional benefits including the introduction of new technology, skills transfer to existing staff and sharing of knowledge.

Opportunities to get more involved in the development of our portfolio and contribute to our students' knowledge through seminars, case studies and projects.

OTHER WAYS UWS CAN WORK WITH BUSINESS

The Employability Link team can signpost you to a whole range of other UWS services for business including:

- expert opinion and specialist consultancy
- research and collaboration
- Knowledge Transfer Partnerships
- training and continuing professional development
- sponsorship opportunities



EMPLOYABILITY LINK - A PARTNERSHIP FOR SUCCESS

Here's what employers and students are saying about our services:

"By giving students this chance to experience the BBC from the inside, we aim to help students make up their mind about their future careers and, sometimes, even motivate them to completely change their current career path."

Craig Dillon IT Manager, BBC, talking about work placement

"We've been very impressed by the work placement students we have employed from UWS. They have been motivated by a desire to learn and become team players. Students make a significant contribution working in 'real jobs' and some UWS work placement students have rejoined as graduates for a long-term career at Chivas Brothers."

Anne Campbell HR Manager, Chivas Brothers

"The placement was a great introduction to working in IT. I was involved in many areas of the business and it was encouraging to see where the skills I had learned so far fitted into employment. This gave me a wider understanding of the subjects when I returned to study. Definitely worthwhile and I would recommend it to all."

Alan Moss, UWS Computing student

