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- 260 students
- 150 placements
- 30 departments and administrative units

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“Frontrunners?  
Great experience,  
fantastic people,  
real responsibilities.  
Love it!”

Magda Twardowska,  
Professional Development Administrative Assistant



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“It gave me a range of experiences and let me apply the things I learnt in class to real situations.”

Seyi Olotu  
Website Project Officer



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“A wonderful opportunity to enhance my skills. My working hours were extremely flexible so I could easily work around my academic and social schedule. An invaluable experience.”

Vaska Atta-Darkua  
Outreach Support Assistant, Data Archive



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“Being able to make money on campus and develop professional skills while working within my discipline has made my university experience much richer.”

Valentina Botto  
Student Integration Assistant