LONDON SAMPLE INTERNSHIP LIST – ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

INDUSTRY DESCRIPTION

As this is a very specific industry area, it is typical for architectural organisations to allocate Internship placements to full time graduates. The industry is competitive and candidates seeking part time internships must be able to show relevant academic, extracurricular or related vocational experience. Placements in structural architecture firms are limited but for the right candidates placements within the broader industry can be possible. Applicants should feel comfortable when presenting, have excellent communication skills and would be most competitive if they have relevant IT knowledge.

EXAMPLES OF PAST PLACEMENTS

Please note that the following sites are a brief cross-section of current CAPA internship host sites and should not be considered as a guarantied location for your placement. All internship & service learning placements will be dependent upon each individual applicant's application documents, prior experiences, demonstrated skills and their aspirations and goals.

FX Magazine	FX is an UK trade magazine for the contract interior design industry, published by Progressive Media Publishing. FX Magazine organises and promotes the annual FX Awards for contract designers and design projects, which are recognised by the Design Council as the leading awards for the contract interior design industry in the UK.
Higgs Young	Higgs Young Architects have over 25 years of expertise in architecture and urban design and have won awards for environmentally sustainable design. Higgs Young's work ranges from interiors with spacious, clean modern lines to urban design and masterplanning including: site appraisal, strategic design, planning applications, urban design guidelines and infrastructure and high quality visual communication for potential customers and landowners.
Luchford APM	Luchford APM is an independent creative communications agency with departments spanning international design and property, luxury lifestyle and travel, consumer brands and strategic development.
Planning Aid for London	Planning Aid for London (PAL) was founded by members of the Town and Country Planning Institute. The core service of the organisation is to assist individuals and groups to make comments on planning applications, to apply for planning permission, to appeal against a refusal of planning permission and to appear at planning committees and public inquiries.
Xanadu	Xanadu Interiors is a medium-sized Interior Design Consultancy, based in London. Set up 15 years ago, Xanadu operates throughout England, Scotland and Wales. In addition, they have successfully completed projects in Europe. Xanadu Interiors have a large portfolio of residential clients, as well as a thriving corporate division specialising in show homes, commercial interiors and rental refurbishments.

POTENTIAL PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES

Project opportunities will be dependent upon the current needs within the organisation and the demonstrated skills and abilities shown by each intern. It is imperative to remember that project opportunities will develop over time and throughout internship placements. Projects may include but are not limited to:

Design Briefs – Installation Techniques – Administration – Technical Drawing – Social Media – CAD – Research – Design Layout – Surveys – Construction Observations – Urban Planning & Design – Planning applications

TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

It is essential to maximise every opportunity within the internship placements. If tasks and duties are approached in a professional manner, interns can take away additions skills and abilities that will be of benefit to their personal and professional development. Transferable skills sets include but are not limited to:

Drawing Skills – Information Gathering – Presenting – Teamwork – IT Technical Skills CAD, Photoshop – Planning Processing – Communications – Mathematics – Spatial Awareness