

DE&S: Student Placement Scheme 2009/10



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Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S)

Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S) is a key element of the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and is responsible for equipping and supporting the UK's armed forces for operations now and in the future. We acquire and support through-life, equipment and services ranging from ships, aircraft, vehicles and weapons, to information systems and satellite communications.

Location:

Our Headquarters are based at Abbey Wood in Bristol, with other sites located across the UK and overseas.

Abbey Wood is a modern purpose built and landscaped site where you'll enjoy comfortable surroundings and excellent staff facilities such as a crèche, restaurants, gym, hairdressers, newsagents, banking and dry cleaning amenities plus free onsite parking.

In addition the site boasts excellent transport links, both public and private.

Placement Opportunities:

There are a number of student work placements available for undergraduates who are undertaking a college based sandwich course. These placements would ideally suit students undertaking Business Studies, Finance, Information Systems, Software Engineering, Systems Engineering, Electrical/Electronic Engineering and Mechanical Engineering as a major component of their degree studies.

All work placements are based at Abbey Wood.

Applicants should note we are not able to offer any financial assistance for relocation expenses.

Skills Required:

The specific skills required will vary depending upon the discipline of the work placement. However the general skills and attributes applicants will need to demonstrate are detailed below:

Essential

- The ability to work co-operatively within a team.
- Effective communication and negotiation skills.
- The ability to plan and organise workloads.
- Good analytical skills.
- A flexible and proactive approach to work.



- Basic technical skills in Windows XP and MS Office products.

Desirable

- Experience and knowledge of Project Management.
- An awareness of defence related projects.

Nationality:

These are Non Reserved posts and are therefore open to UK, British Commonwealth and European Economic Area (EEA) Nationals and certain non EEA members.

Eligibility:

These are student placements and are therefore only open to undergraduates seeking an industrial/work placement for academic year 2009/10.

We particularly welcome applications from students who are living in the Bristol/Bath area.

Salary and Allowances:

The salary will be £15,847 per annum.

Benefits:

As an employer we can offer you a number of benefits, which include:

- The option to join an appropriate occupational or stakeholder pension scheme.
- An open, flexible and supportive work environment - one that gives you the freedom to acquire multiple skills and the chance to gain experience across a whole range of activities.
- Excellent training opportunities for your continued personal and professional development.
- 25 days annual leave allowance pro rata. In addition, Civil Servants benefit from 10.5 days Public and Privilege Holidays per year.
- Flexible working.

Employment Terms:

These are temporary appointments and will last for a maximum of 48 weeks.

These appointments are Full-Time. The standard working hours are 42 hours per week including meal breaks.

The student work placements are for academic year 2009/10 but the specific start and end dates are negotiable.

Equality and Diversity:

The MoD is an Equal Opportunities employer and seeks to reflect the diverse community it serves. Applications are welcome from anyone who meets the stated requirements.

To Apply:

Please visit our website at www.civilianjobs.mod.uk. Alternatively, you can call us on 0800 345 7772.