

LF310-120 Work Placement Year

26/27

Department

Life Sciences

Level

Undergraduate Level 3

Module leader

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Credit value

120

Module duration

52 weeks

Assessment

100% coursework

Study location

Placement

Description

Introductory description

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Module aims

The aim of this module is to enable students to increase their competitiveness on the job market by gaining experience beyond their degree, through an industrial internship. This will allow them to:

- Develop and gain experience in essential workplace skills
- Utilise their academic knowledge in an industrial setting to broaden their professional skills
- Experience and gain a deeper understanding of the social and cultural environment of the workplace
- Expand their personal and professional networks

Outline syllabus

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This will vary for students depending on the approved placement. A job description should be provided by the placement provider outlining the duties of the role and the expectations of the student for the duration of the placement. The syllabus will comprise undertaking the approved work placement and reflections on this experience will be distilled into one reflective report submission and one annotated summative poster submission. The workload must be a minimum of 1,200 hours to maintain equivalence with that expected for a 120-credit module.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Apply – in a non-academic environment – critical, analytical and interpersonal skills developed in pursuit of their disciplinary studies
- Understand the work environment and their contribution to it
- Demonstrate the development of high-level transferable skills such as confidence, communication, flexibility, time management and team working.
- Understand how to apply work-based learning to other areas of personal development
- Reflect on and articulate personal and professional progress

Subject specific skills

Relevant scientific and technical knowledge as appropriate to the placement opportunity.

Transferable skills

Exploration of the twelve core skill areas targeted in the Warwick Award:

- Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Digital Literacy
- Ethical Values
- Information Literacy
- Intercultural Awareness
- Organisational Awareness
- Problem Solving
- Professionalism
- Self-Awareness
- Sustainability
- Teamwork

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Placement	1,190 hours (99%)
Assessment	10 hours (1%)
Total	1,200 hours

Private study description

No private study requirements defined for this module.

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You must pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A3

Assessment component	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Report	50%	5 hours	Yes (extension)
This will be assessed on a pass/fail basis. Students will be asked to submit a 1500-word reflective essay, outlining both the specialist skills and the transferable skills developed as part of their placement year experience, how this influenced their career plans and any further developments needed to achieve their long-term goals.			

Reassessment component is the same

Assessment component

Reflective Poster	50%	5 hours	Yes (extension)
Students are asked to produce a poster that should contain contextual information on their work placement, the cultural and professional environment and the skills developed in relation to the			

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module outcomes and interpersonal skills gained. They will be expected to present the poster at a Placement Poster Celebration Event during October of their final year.

Reassessment component is the same

Feedback on assessment

Feedback will be provided by the host organisation. In addition, feedback on the reflective assessment submitted towards validation of the module will be provided by personal tutors.

Availability

Courses

This module is Core optional for:

- Year 3 of ULFA-C702 Undergraduate Biochemistry (with Placement Year)
- Year 3 of ULFA-C113 Undergraduate Biological Sciences (with Placement Year)
- Year 3 of ULFA-CB18 Undergraduate Biomedical Science with Placement Year

This module is Optional for:

- Year 3 of ULFA-C702 Undergraduate Biochemistry (with Placement Year)
- Year 3 of ULFA-C113 Undergraduate Biological Sciences (with Placement Year)
- Year 3 of ULFA-B141 Undergraduate Neuroscience (with Placement Year) (BSc)