Getting Experience

through
e-Placement
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What we do

- e-Placement Scotland is a three-year (2010-2013) initiative funded by the Scottish Funding Council

- The project makes available quality, paid placements for students studying computing, computer science, software engineering, IT

- You can use ePS to gain valuable industrial experience and improve your career prospects on graduation

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Why we're doing it

Computing Degree

+

Industrial Experience

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Excellent Career Prospects

Dr Bill Mitchell FBCS FHEA CITP
Director, BCS Academy of Computing

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Placement – a Unique Experience

- Industrial Placement is the **definitive employability experience** for students

- Studies indicate positive benefits on academic performance post-placement - including final degree classification

- Employers confirm that placement is a strong route towards graduate employment

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Am I eligible?

There are only two criteria:

- You must be registered as a student in Scotland – the service is open to all Scottish Universities

- You must be returning to study on completion of the placement

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What types of placement are available?

- Placements are with companies in the technology sector or in the IT divisions of large organisations

- We have some **part-time** and **full-time** placements starting now

- The majority of our placements are **full-time for three months** over the summer

- Amazon recruiting now for 2013 – looking for strong students for placements up to 6mths
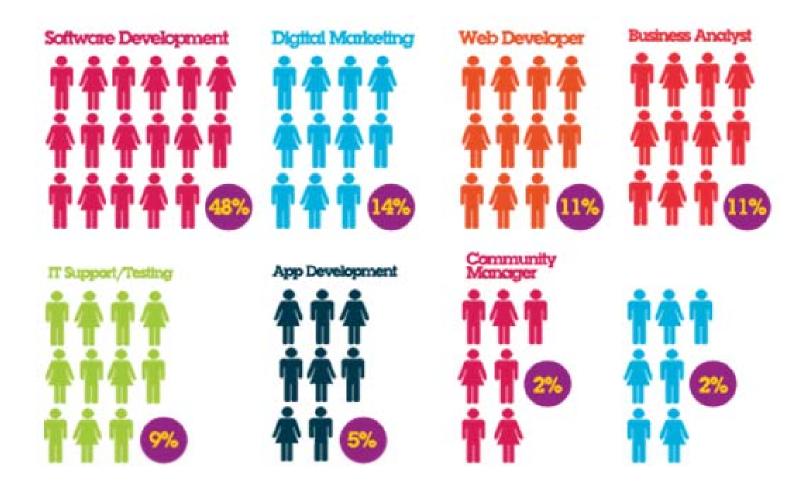
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What types of placement are available?

New – our placements are 'new to the market'

Paid – you will be an employee of the organisation for the placement period, and receive appropriate remuneration

Quality – the 'person specification' and duties performed must relate to competencies expected of a student with e.g. 3 yrs HE experience

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How do I apply?

- www.e-Placement Scotland.com

- Register on the website, complete a profile, upload your CV

- Look at the 'roles' as these appear on the website, and click a button to apply

- But first – is your CV as good as it could be?

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Elements of a good CV

- What computing **skills** have you developed through your studies?

- How strong is your **performance** relative to your peers?

- What other evidence do you have that you would be a **good fit** with the company?

- ……...you should upload a fresh CV before each application, 'optimised' for the role

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The student perspective

- Catalina Predoi

- Student on Beng Computer Science, University of Edinburgh

- Offered a placement with Wolfson through e-Placement Scotland

Next Steps: Keep in touch on Facebook

- Visit facebook.com/eplacementscot (or scan the QR code on the postcard) and 'like' our page

- You'll be kept up to date with new placements as and when they become live on our website

- You'll be entered into a competition to win a Galaxy Tab

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Next Steps: Register on the Website

- Review your CV

- Register, complete the profile, upload your CV and receive emails with vacancies that meet your criteria

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