

“Undertaking a year’s work placement provided me with the opportunity to experience a working environment and see how statistics can be used in the real world whilst gaining an understanding of the type of work that goes on in large companies. I developed numerous skills throughout the year such as communication and time management. I also learnt to use specific pieces of software that are used daily in companies all over the world. This opportunity gave me the experience and knowledge necessary to find my current job working somewhere I never thought I would be, doing work that I love on a daily basis.”

Julia Fyfe, Financial Sector, 2012-13

“During my work placement in the financial sector, I was able to apply my knowledge of statistics gained at University but also had the opportunity to learn considerably about financial statistics and their use in asset management. While applying for graduate roles during this year, my work experience provided me with invaluable experience which made the interview stage of the recruitment processes a lot less daunting. Although my final year at university has been a challenge, I would highly recommend the year’s work placement. I had a fantastic year, worked with a great team and the placement helped me choose my future career path.”

Nicole Jarvie, Financial Sector, 2013-14

“I loved my year working, I gained so much experience and made many friends. My work involved: carrying out analysis and writing reports to a short deadline, researching papers, attending high profile meetings and presenting my findings. I would strongly recommend anyone thinking of doing the year’s work placement to do it. I thoroughly enjoyed last year, I was based in Edinburgh and so moved there for the year which added to the fun of the year. It’s a great opportunity - just be prepared for a lot of hard work when you come back to 5th year!”

Suzu Whoriskey, Public Sector, 2013-14



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- Are you interested in combining work experience with your degree?
- Would you like to spend one-year working full-time as a Statistical Analyst?

Programme Structure:

- Years 1-3 Study at The University of Glasgow following the same programme as the MSci in Statistics degree, with the same progression requirements. Year 3 contributes 40% to your degree.
- Year 4 Full-time internship position (you remain a registered student at The University of Glasgow). Assessment will be on the basis of a project dissertation, talk and line manager's final report. Year 4 contributes 20% to your degree.
- Year 5 Study at The University of Glasgow. This year includes Statistics courses from level 4 at an advanced level, dedicated Level M courses and a Level M project. Year 5 contributes 40% to your degree.

"Spending a year applying statistical techniques in a field I was interested in gave me relevant experience which I was able to speak about in applications and interviews for PhD's. This years' experience set me aside from other candidates and I believe was the main reason for receiving offers for all PhD opportunities which I applied for. I would recommend this degree to anyone."

Eilidh Jack, Public Sector, 2013-14



Additional support provided

- Academic supervisors
- Interview training
- Away day events for all years of the programme.

Entry Requirements:

Students must be eligible for entry to an MSci in Statistics degree at the end of level 2. Entry to the work placement year is competitive and will involve placement applications and interviews with employers and will be conditional on students achieving a minimum GPA of 15 (B3) in third year.

UK Visas and Immigration:

For students that require a visa and permissions to live and work in the UK it is the student's responsibility to make sure that UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) is fully informed, approval sought and that any additional visa requirements are met.

Potential employers include*:

Financial institutions, industry, government departments, non-government organisations, pharmaceutical companies...

Terms and Conditions:

These are specific to each placement but, in general, they include a salary of ~ £15k, a 35 hour working week and 28 days holiday.

*Please note: placements are subject to availability with employers within a specific year and to a successful application and interview procedure.

"The work placement provides a brilliant opportunity to put into practice what you have learned at university! Working allowed me to see how statistics is applied to the real world and it was exciting to be part of it. My work placement gave me an indication as to where I want my career to go. The work placement also teaches you many lessons not taught at university! Although my final year has been tough, I'm sure it will pay in the end!"

Paige Butterfield, Public Sector, 2013-14