



What is the St Mary's Placement Year?

The St Mary's placement year or "sandwich year" is an additional year of university degree where students work for a company in an industry related to their studies. The placement year is currently available to students on a range of programmes at St Mary's from Business and Sports Management to Liberal Arts and many more.

How can it help your organisation?

- ▶ Benefit from fresh ideas, knowledge and research
- ▶ Cover short-term staffing issues
- ▶ Find a potential future employee and reduce recruitment costs
- ▶ Raise the organisations profile in the graduate community
- ▶ Help a student develop their employment prospects and introduce them to a potential career path
- ▶ Benefit from the energy, enthusiasm and desire to prove themselves that St Mary's placement students bring

How to get involved

- ▶ The organisation will ideally need to offer a minimum of 44 weeks paid work
- ▶ All work must be paid using London living wage or minimum wage for the area they are based in
- ▶ The organisation must have a minimum of five employees
- ▶ The organisation will need to have appropriate policies and procedures in place to host a student on placement
- ▶ An agreement must be drafted and signed by all
- ▶ The relevant support and guidance must be in place, before, during and after the placement year
- ▶ The hosting organisation will provide written and verbal feedback at two agreed points of the year

Employer testimonials

“The (placement) student was smart, quick to learn and soon became a valuable asset to our team. The whole process was incredibly simply to navigate, and the support team were always on hand to assist with any questions we had.”

*Team Umbrella
Independent events agency*

“The (placement) students working with us have been keen to learn, shown a passion for what we do, and delivered some great work on our projects. We are hiring a previous St Mary's placement student into a role in our Paris team.”

*The iLUKA Collective
Sporting events management agency*



If you are interested, why not contact the team?

If you are interested in a St Mary's student joining your team for a placement year, please contact:

placements@stmarys.ac.uk

We look forward to hearing from you.