



## Work experience programme at international law firm

Berwin Leighton Paisner's (BLP) Career Kick-Start Work Experience programme is designed to provide Year 12 students with a real-life insight into what it's like to work as a lawyer in London. Given the importance of work experience when striving for a career in the legal sector, this opportunity will be crucial in helping any aspiring lawyers succeed.

**Note: The programme is open to applicants nationally, with reasonable travel expenses covered. Accommodation will be arranged by BLP if required.**

### Want to learn more about life as a lawyer?

[Click here](#) to watch this video created by and featuring current BLP lawyers, sharing details about their own personal journey and career path to date, as well as giving their advice to aspiring lawyers. Watch the video to find out more and get in touch!

## When and where will the programme be held?

The programme comprises two weeks as follows:

**Week One (23 - 27 July)** - A week at BLP's offices, gaining a real insight into what lawyers do on a daily basis via work shadowing and skills sessions to help you succeed.

**Week Two (30 July - 3 August)** – A week visiting a different organisation each day in a variety of sectors including sports, financial services and media. During this week you will learn how law firms interact with their clients and the different roles for lawyers in these organisations.

## What will I gain?

- An understanding of what working as a lawyer in different organisations involves and the skills required.
- Practical advice for future job applications.
- Evidence for a future employer of your interest in and motivation to gain a role in the legal sector.
- Access to BLP employees and client contacts while you are in the office and afterwards.

## How do I apply for a place?

[Click here to apply for Career Kick-Start by 31 January 2018](#)

## Criteria

Applicants should

- be in year 12 at the time of the scheme;
- attend a state school or academy i.e. not fee paying;

- should be of the first generation in their immediate family to attend university  
and/or
- be eligible or have been eligible for free school meals.

## Feedback

'I could not be more grateful to BLP for giving me the once in a lifetime opportunity to partake in the Career Kick-Start programme. The biggest impact is the amount of confidence that has grown in me; I feel as though I can accomplish anything if I set my mind to it.'

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