Work while you study in the UK

Many Tier 4 (General) students can do some work in the UK during their studies. The maximum hours you can work during semester are normally printed on your visa sticker or Biometric Residence Permit (BRP), and will depend mainly on when you made your most recent immigration application.

Usually students are permitted to work 20 hours a week during semester and 40 hours a week during semester break. You will be able to do most kinds of work, but you must not:

- be self-employed
- be employed as a professional sportsperson including as a sports coach
- be employed as an entertainer
- take a permanent full-time job
- work as a doctor or dentist in training, unless you are on the foundation programme.



Internships

Internships and work placements are a great way to learn practical skills in your degree. By spending one day a week or a short period of time in a workplace you will learn British business culture, workplace skills, degree skills, make industry contacts and gain invaluable experience for your resume. Some students are even offered a job after completing their program.



Finding part-time work in the UK

- Contact the Careers Team at your institution for jobs.
- Check localised job-listings in newspapers.
- Browse popular part-time job websites like Student Jobs, Careers Group London and E4S.
- Be involved on social networks join job vacancy groups on Facebook, Google and Yahoo



Popular part-time work in the UK

- Retail: Supermarkets, department and clothing stores
- · Hospitality: Cafes, bars and restaurants
- Agricultural: Farming and fruit-picking
- Sales and telemarketing: Insurance and telecommunications companies



Work while you study in the USA

Our US university partners offer co-operative education, internships and Optional Practical Training (OPT) opportunities in business, engineering, science and other fields.

Students in a co-op, internships or OPT program are given the chance to combine classroom knowledge with practical paid work experience to further enhance your skill set and work experience, which will set you apart from others after graduation.



Co-operative education (co-ops) and internships

Students at our university partners have completed co-ops and internships with many companies, including:



Internship and study locations: Four of our US university partners are located in or near Boston, a city well known for innovation, education and technology. Our other leading university partner is located in the coastal city of Boca Raton, Florida, which offers internship opportunities in research, tourism and business.

Check out our US program websites to learn more:

- Florida Atlantic University: fau.navitas.com
- UMass Boston: <u>umb.navitas.com</u>
- UMass Dartmouth: <u>umd.navitas.com</u>
- UMass Lowell: <u>uml.navitas.com</u>
- University of New Hampshire: unh.navitas.com



Optional Practical Training (OPT)

Offered by the US government, the OPT is a temporary employment opportunity for F-1 students to gain practical work experience directly related to their area of study. Eligible students can apply to receive up to 12 months of OPT employment authorization before and/or after completing their studies.

Students who have earned a degree in certain science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields may apply for a 24-month OPT extension if they meet additional eligibility requirements. Visit <u>uscis.gov</u> to learn more.



Work while you study in Australia

Australia offers massive opportunities to students in terms of education, convenience, a great social life and also work. By working in Australia, you will earn between \$4 and \$9 more than your friends studying in the US, UK or Canada. You can easily apply for the student visa on the Australian immigration website at the cost of \$535 Australian. A student visa allows you to work part-time up to 20 hours per week while pursuing your course.



Internships

Internships can be paid or unpaid depending on the industry and the length of placement, and are a great opportunity to gain hands-on experience in the area of your study.



Benefits of undertaking an internship in Australia can include:

- Contributing to your education through course credits.
- Experience working in Australia can help your chances of finding similar work back home.
- Helping to improve your English.
- Helping you develop a network of professional contacts, which could be useful for future references.
- Learning new work skills and practices.



Popular part-time work in Australia

Hospitality: This profession includes sectors like bars, hotels, takeaway food stores, sporting venues, restaurants, cinemas.

Retail: Retail is one of the most common and most preferred part-time jobs students look up to. This could include a small store, a chain of stores or large department stores.

Services: The services sector is also very popular in Australia and this sector includes petrol stations, supermarkets, call centres and various businesses requiring administration work.

Industry: Acquiring a part-time job in the field of your study is the best thing a student can opt for. As it offers experience, exposure and knowledge enhancing your expertise and opening up your future avenues.

Work while you study in Canada

There are a number of work permit programs for international students that make working in Canada possible. Working in Canada can go a long way towards helping you establish business contacts for the future and can also help you immigrate after graduation.



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Winnipeg: The eighth largest city in Canada is located near the geographic centre of North America and plays a prominent role in many industries including but not limited to, transportation, finance, manufacturing, agriculture, and education.

Visit <u>icmanitoba.ca</u> to learn about the International College of Manitoba's university-level courses that lead to outstanding degree programs and co-op opportunities at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg.

Vancouver: Voted the third most livable city by The Economist, Vancouver is a growing city that offers a wide variety of co-op options for students. Simon Fraser University has one of the largest co-op departments in North America and offers Co-Op terms in all academic disciplines across 54 undergraduate and 10 graduate programs with approximately 2,500 Co-Op work terms each year.

Visit <u>fraseric.ca</u> to learn about Fraser International College's university-level courses that lead to outstanding degree programs and co-op opportunities at Simon Fraser University, Canada's #1 comprehensive university.



Post-Graduation Work Permit Program (PGWPP)

After graduating from university, students may have the opportunity to apply for a work permit, provided they meet all eligibility requirements. Visit cic.gc.ca/english/work-postgrad.asp to learn more.

Work while you study in New Zealand

In New Zealand, students are allowed to work part-time for up to 20 hours a week and full-time during all scheduled holidays.

Part-time work: Students can work up to 20 hours a week if studying full-time for any of the following:

- For at least 2 years
- For a New Zealand qualification that gains points under the Skilled Migrant Category
- For a foundation programme for at least 1 academic year at level 4 or higher on the New Zealand Qualification Framework at an education provider in Canterbury.

Full-time work: Students may be allowed to work full-time:

- During scheduled breaks in study, if you're studying full-time for at least 1 academic year and your course is worth more than 120 credits.
- During the Christmas and New Year holiday period, if you're studying full-time and your course is worth less than 120 credits.



Internships

Paid internships are a way of gaining industry experience and networking with important people in your field of study. Carrying out voluntary work in New Zealand can be a great addition to your CV with beneficial workplace experience.

Check out some good recognised places to start your internship programme at:

- HospitalityInternship.com
- Internship New Zealand
- New Zealand Internships



Popular part-time work in New Zealand

- Translation assignments
- Data-entry work
- Attendant in super-markets
- Attendant in small restaurants
- On-Campus opportunities to work in the campus library, laboratory, etc.
- Hospitality
- Retail

