





CAPA LONDON SAMPLE INTERNSHIP LIST ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN



INDUSTRY DESCRIPTION


As this is a very specific industry area, it is typical for architectural organisations to allocate internship placements to full time graduates. The industry is competitive and candidates seeking part time internships must be able to show strong and relevant academic, extracurricular, or related vocational experience. Placements in structural architecture firms are limited but for the right candidates' placements within the broader industry can be possible. Applicants should feel comfortable when presenting, have excellent communication skills and would be most competitive if they have relevant IT knowledge. It is important that candidates are able to provide a portfolio of their previous work/projects. Expectations need to be set for students requesting this industry area in the summer as many organisations will not consider a 6-week placement.

EXAMPLES OF PAST PLACEMENTS

Please note that the following sites are a brief cross-section of current CAPA internship host sites and should not be considered as a guaranteed location for your placement. All internship & service learning placements will be dependent upon each individual applicant's application documents, prior experiences, demonstrated skills and their aspirations and goals.

<p>DFN +DC</p> 	<p>DFN +DC is an architecture and urban design office concerned with the project of space as an interdisciplinary practice. We operate in a collaborative structure from our offices in London and Lugano (CH) and with ongoing projects in the UK, Switzerland, Mexico, Italy and Mozambique. We engage in academic research & teaching as part of our approach to practice.</p>
<p>Groundwork</p> 	<p>Groundwork London's Landscape Design Service is founded on a belief in the need to involve community stakeholders in all elements of the design process to help create more cohesive, integrated communities that feel a sense of ownership over their neighbourhoods. We believe in delivering innovative, practical, and high quality design solutions and a professional service in communities that need it most. We encourage community and client involvement in each stage of the design process and bring best practice in design, consultation and project management to all our landscape projects</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">Higgs Young HIGGS YOUNG ARCHITECTS</p>	<p>Higgs Young Architects have over 25 years of expertise in architecture and urban design and have won awards for environmentally sustainable design. Higgs Young's work ranges from interiors with spacious, clean modern lines to urban design and masterplanning including: site appraisal, strategic design, planning applications, urban design guidelines and infrastructure and high quality visual communication for potential customers and landowners.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Open City Open — City</p>	<p>Open City are an independent, not for profit organisation that aims to be at the centre of creating better places and a better city. We champion excellence in design quality and advocate for an inclusive and informed approach to the development of our city. Our work covers 3 core strands: Engagement Education Enabling. Our programmes are designed to encourage dialogue, debate and learning about how architecture and public space affects our daily lives, and to enable people to discover and understand how they can really influence change in the built environment. We are the only organisation that actively involves such a variety of stakeholders across London, connecting those that plan, design and build the city to those that live, work and play in the city, through our own action research and in our advocacy, education and engagement programmes.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Totzke  TOTZKE Ltd</p>	<p>TOTZKE Ltd is a London based consultancy connecting industry leading manufacturers of sustainable innovative & healthy flooring materials with the London market.</p> <p>TOTZKE launched in January 2018 after 12 years with J+J Flooring Group and 7 years working in the London A&D market. We represent carpet tiles, broadloom carpet, Kinetex, LVT, timber flooring, rugs, rubber, cork and entrance matting.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Pentagon Tiles  Pentagon</p>	<p>We are an established tile-distribution specialist that delivers high-quality products at reasonable rates for retail, commercial and private projects. Our stock showcases the latest, most innovative materials, and we supply indoor and outdoor tiles in ceramic, porcelain, stone and glass at excellent prices. We pride ourselves on building open and honest relationships and providing bespoke customer experiences.</p>

<p>Xanadu</p> 	<p>Xanadu Interiors is a medium-sized Interior Design Consultancy, based in London. Set up 15 years ago, Xanadu operates throughout England, Scotland and Wales. In addition, they have successfully completed projects in Europe.</p> <p>Xanadu Interiors have a large portfolio of residential clients, as well as a thriving corporate division specialising in show homes, commercial interiors and rental refurbishments.</p>
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POTENTIAL PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES

Project opportunities will be dependent upon the current needs within the organisation and the demonstrated skills and abilities shown by each intern. It is imperative to remember that project opportunities will develop over time and throughout internship placements. Projects may include but are not limited to:

Administration	Planning applications
CAD	Research
Community Consultation	Social Media
Construction Observations	Surveys
Design Briefs	Technical Drawing
Design Layout	Urban Planning & Design
Installation Techniques	

TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

It is essential to maximise every opportunity within the internship placement. If tasks and duties are approached in a professional manner, interns can take away additional skills and abilities that will be of benefit to their personal and professional development. Transferable skills sets include but are not limited to:

Client Liaison	Planning Processing
Drawing Skills	Presenting
Information Gathering	Research/Trends
IT Technical Skills CAD, Photoshop	Spatial Awareness
Mathematics	Teamwork

PERSONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Through their internship and extra-curricular activities, we work to help students develop the following skills:

1. **Networking:** The ability to intentionally and purposefully connect and interact with others in order to develop professional and social relationships.
2. **Communications:** The ability to receive, interpret and articulate information and ideas effectively.

3. Remote Collaboration: The ability to utilise IT resources to connect virtually with others and achieve collective goals and objectives.
4. Global Perspective: To develop skills required to live and work in an interdependent world through forming an understanding of connections between one's own life and those of people across the globe.
5. Cultural Awareness: To develop an understanding of oneself, others and to embrace and appreciate diverse and complex perspectives, values and beliefs.
6. Organisation, Time Managements and Prioritisation Skills: The ability to achieve identified outcomes by using your time, energy and resources in an effective and productive manner.
7. Problem Solving: The ability to find solutions to difficult or complex issues and to manage moments of uncertainty or ambiguity.
8. Adaptable: The ability to adjust oneself readily to different conditions and environments.
9. Goal Setting: The ability to identify, form and implement actions that will guide you towards predetermined aims and objectives.
10. Career Based or Vocational Skills: The development of specific knowledge or abilities related to an occupation.