## **GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT**

# ERASMUS+ European Work Placement University of York (Great Britain)

The University of York prides itself on the range of partnerships, networks, research and teaching relationships and student/staff exchange links it has developed with institutions of academic excellence around the world. The Global Engagement team helps to make the University's Internationalisation strategy a reality, in partnership with the whole University community.

Global Engagement (GE) is responsible for the implementation of the objectives of the International Strategy of the University.

#### Main activities during the placement:

- Assist the Global Engagement team in organising delegations of senior members of staff and academics to visit universities and organisations in other countries to establish or further develop links between institutions
- Writing briefing materials and information packs for senior staff
- Conduct research and mapping of links with a specific country or geographical region
- Apply existing mapping methodology. The mapping exercise will focus around 5 major categories:
  - Institutional/Reputational (MoUs, rankings, past visits, quality of relationships...etc.)
  - Mobility (student and staff mobility programmes)
  - Teaching & Research (formal agreements, joint provision)
  - Human Capital (student recruitment, staff recruitment, alumni engagement...etc.)
  - Political/Economic environments (national funding structures and opportunities, political and economic data...etc.)

### **Learning Outcomes for the trainee:**

- The graduate trainee will gain valuable international experience of working within a Higher Education institution's Global Engagement team.
- Gain understanding of International partners' Learning & Teaching interests.
- The role-holder will gain a good understanding of how different countries approach their research priorities and higher education policies (including Funding structures and Research & innovation initiatives)
- Interact with many different stakeholders to gather the information needed as part of the mapping exercise.
- The trainee will learn how to use quantitative and qualitative analysis tools and methods in the context of internationalisation.
- The opportunity to use of Communication tools (online and offline)
- Ensure high standard of Customer Service
- Work in a fast pace environment and as part of a dynamic team
- Exposure to an international workplace

# We are looking for someone who has:

- Good research skills and a methodical approach
- The ability to identify and interpret key information
- Good written communication skills
- Strong organisational and presentation (written) skills
- Good organisational and time-management skills
- Strong Microsoft Office skills
- An interest in international work
- Experience of organising complex travel arrangements abroad (including visa issues, logistics and risk assessments)
- The opportunity to improve research and written presentation skills
- The opportunity to work gather experience of working in an international relations role, including issues of diplomacy and intercultural awareness
- Meaningful work experience in a busy team, including time management
- Learning how an international team operates, including dealing with time zones, exchange rates, intercultural skills, due diligence, etc.
- Learning how support services in universities work
- Assisting with projects ranging from welcoming international delegations, events, briefing materials for senior staff
- Would suit anyone who is interested in a career in international organisations, and/or administration

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