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Web development intern at the British Museum

The British Museum is looking for an intern (or *student placement* in the UK) to assist the Digital Team with development of products for web and mobile platforms. The Digital Team works with curators, researchers and educators across the organisation to communicate about the collection through digital media. It maintains the museum's website, which receives over 10 million of visitors each year. As a student placement volunteer, you will have the opportunity to be part of a busy, dynamic team as the museum redesigns key digital products and launches a new digital strategy. This is an ideal opportunity for students or recent graduates in Computer Science, Information Technology and Web Development.

Your responsibilities will include:

- Assisting staff developers with updating the code on the museum's website
- Researching solutions for technical problems and new web and mobile products
- Participating in brainstorming about new digital products

Student placements are supervised by experienced staff who provide training and guidance. They are well-supported and attend regular check-in meetings. Students in the final stage of their studies are may use the projects they work on as the topic of their dissertations.

To qualify, you need:

- Demonstrated experience programming in HTML, CSS and jQuery
 - Experience using and writing code on PC platforms
 - Experience using in-browser development tools and plug-ins
 - Familiarity with web production software and Content Management Systems
 - Knowledge of source control systems and good coding practices
 - Understanding of data manipulation and how to work with spreadsheets and JSON files
 - To be comfortable hand coding in a text editor and using command-line tools
 - Have the ability to work as part of a team and to willingness learn new things
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- You must be available 3-5 days per week for at least 3 months
 - You must be available to start in late September / early October 2014
 - Non-EU citizens must arrange their own visa to stay in the UK

This is an unpaid voluntary placement and students must cover their own expenses. To apply, please send your CV and a cover letter explaining why you are qualified for the role to Web Team (webteam@britishmuseum.org). Students at any level of higher education are welcome to apply: Bachelor, Master, PhD or recent graduate.

Closing date for applications: Wednesday, 10 September 2014



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