**WORKING IN THE NON-PROFIT SECTOR**

If you want to get into Charity Work or working in the Non-Profit sector, it’s important you get as much experience as possible. Below are a variety of internships you can apply for, but it’s crucial you also get volunteering experience for most of the jobs advertised.

**INTERNSHIPS**

*Most of the internships last from 6-8 weeks during the summer, and not only are good experience but could result in post-graduation work e.t.c.*

* **Barnados** - UK’s leading children’s charity for a **12 week** placement. The scheme “enables you to gain work experience and develop the valuable skills needed to kick start your career”. <http://www.barnardos.org.uk/get_involved/volunteering/volunteer_internships.htm>
* **Macmillan Cancer Support** – internships throughout the year, suitable for students and graduates

<http://www.macmillan.org.uk/GetInvolved/Volunteer/Internships/InternshipScheme.aspx>

* **Cancer Research UK** – Voluntary **12 week** placements, intakes over the year– HQ in London, but interns can be based throughout the country. <http://supportus.cancerresearchuk.org/volunteer/internship-scheme/>
* **Student Hub Ethical Internship Program** - <http://studenthubs.org/xwiki/bin/view/Ethical+Careers/Apply+to+the+Ethical+Internships+Scheme>
* **Oxford’s OUIIP internship** program, detailed information on application process through link - <http://www.careers.ox.ac.uk/work-experience-and-employability/the-internship-office/international-internships/#section1>

The following article is really useful on how you can use the Oxford Careers Service for finding volunteering schemes and internships e.t.c.

<http://www.careers.ox.ac.uk/how-to-find-summer-charity-volunteering-opportunities/>

**VOLUNTEERING**

*Volunteering – most non-profit jobs expect applicants to have a certain level of commitment in the field, and there’s no better way to prove this then to gain volunteering experience. Some of these are more exotic, but even getting involved with the local community will be a valuable thing to have on your CV.*

* A really great website for volunteering opportunities, <http://www.do-it.org.uk/wanttovolunteer/volunteeringoverseas> - more specifically for student opportunities; <http://www.do-it.org.uk/wanttovolunteer/volunteeringoverseas/youthandstudents>
* **Raleigh** - Volunteering programs overseas for people from a wide range of background and nationalities, as a youth and sustainable development charity. <http://www.raleighinternational.org>
* **Worldwide Volunteering** - <http://www.wwv.org.uk>
* **Travel Aid** – Matches individuals with grassroots organizations in the developing world. Allows a student the opportunity to live and develop within the communities they choose. <http://www.travelaid.org.uk> For information within Oxford, email the following link: [oxford@t-aid.org](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/redir.aspx?C=fndNqka2T0G5qeoZcmSz48Ox9nvFxc8IVrVG55kSu3YGDFD66DUcXWDzbBu53Rs41vDK47uryhU.&URL=mailto%3aoxford%40t-aid.org)
* **Global Brigades** – student led health and development organisation. The Oxford branch is running three brigades in Ghana this year; Water, Microfinance and Medical. Info session this Thursday 17th January (http://www.facebook.com/events/203688646422313/)
* [www   .  globalbrigades  .  org](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/UrlBlockedError.aspx)
* **Projects Abroad,** useful for internship placements as well -http://www.projects-abroad.co.uk
* Local volunteering is just as valuable, for example; <http://www.dofe.org/en/content/cms/doing-your-dofe/opportunities/residential/helping-on-children/> A good selection of local opportunities can be found via the D of E website.
* And **OxHub** of course for volunteering opportunities whilst you’re at uni: http://oxfordhub.org/xwiki/bin/view/Oxford+Hub/