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## Pre-Internship Briefing

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# OVERVIEW – TODAY'S SESSION

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- 1. Assessment and Reports (Andrew)**
  - 2. Key principles**
  - 3. Success factors**
  - 4. Dealing with challenging situations**
  - 5. Visa Requirements**
  - 6. Employers' expectations**



# INTERNSHIP – KEY PRINCIPLES

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- 3-months (or 6-months) strictly – no dates change
  - Apply theory to work
  - Secure a possible job offer prior to graduation
  - Develop job-specific skills that will appeal to employers
  - Gain deeper insight into possible future careers.
  - Read Industry Internship ([COMP47220](#)) Learning outcomes.



# KEY SUCCESS FACTORS

- ✓ Know your KPIs
- ✓ Adjust to your new working and living environment
- ✓ Interact well with colleagues & managers.
- ✓ Feeling reasonably happy and being able to enjoy day-to-day activities.





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# DEALING WITH CHALLENGING SITUATIONS

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OF THE SPECIES THAT SURVIVES,  
NOR THE MOST INTELLIGENT.  
IT IS THE ONE THAT IS  
MOST ADAPTABLE TO CHANGE.

– CHARLES DARWIN

- Be willing to learn new ways, techniques and methodologies.
- Accommodate change.
- Don't rush into sending emails '*in the heat of the moment*'
- See the bigger picture, broaden your horizons and make the most of the opportunity.
- Ask for advice, colleagues, family, friends, your **Internship Manager, Carla**
- Support services in place – speak in confidence to our Student advisor, UCD Science Room E0.55:  
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# VISA STATUS - Stamp 2 & Stamp 1-G



- **June – July – August**: the internship is **part (credit bearing)** of your degree so you are allowed to work full time.
- **September**: considered as a 'Summer' month by **INIS** so you are entitled to work up to 40h/ week in **September** on your student visa (no action required)

*Non-EEA students who are permitted to reside in the State on a stamp 2 are allowed to avail of a work concession. Since 1 September 2016 students holding a valid immigration stamp 2 are permitted to work full time in accordance with employment law provisions during the months of June, July, August and September and from 15 December to 15 January inclusive. At all other times they will be limited to working 20 hours per week.*

- **End of August**: Carla will send you a reminder to book an appointment on INIS website for your Stamp 1-G applications
- **1<sup>st</sup> week of October**: The School of CS will provide you with a provisional letter of graduation to secure your Stamp 1-G (accepted by the GNIB)
- **It is not possible to get the letter prior to this date**
- **You can only get your Stamp 1-G when you have received your results.**
- This will allow you to work in Ireland for 2 years (1 year renewable)
- Employers are not obliged to offer Critical skills right away.



# EMPLOYER'S EXPECTATIONS



- **Punctuality** is the key to make a good impression.
- **Organized** and able to save time and help others. Positive attitude & behaviours (be mindful of body language and non verbal communication)
- **Neat** and tidy appearance (professional)
- Work hard and put in a honest day's work
- **Flexibility** (not always 9-5)
- Loyalty & Discretion.
- **Independent** – can work on your own with guidance.
- **Listen** to valuable feedback - Follow instructions.



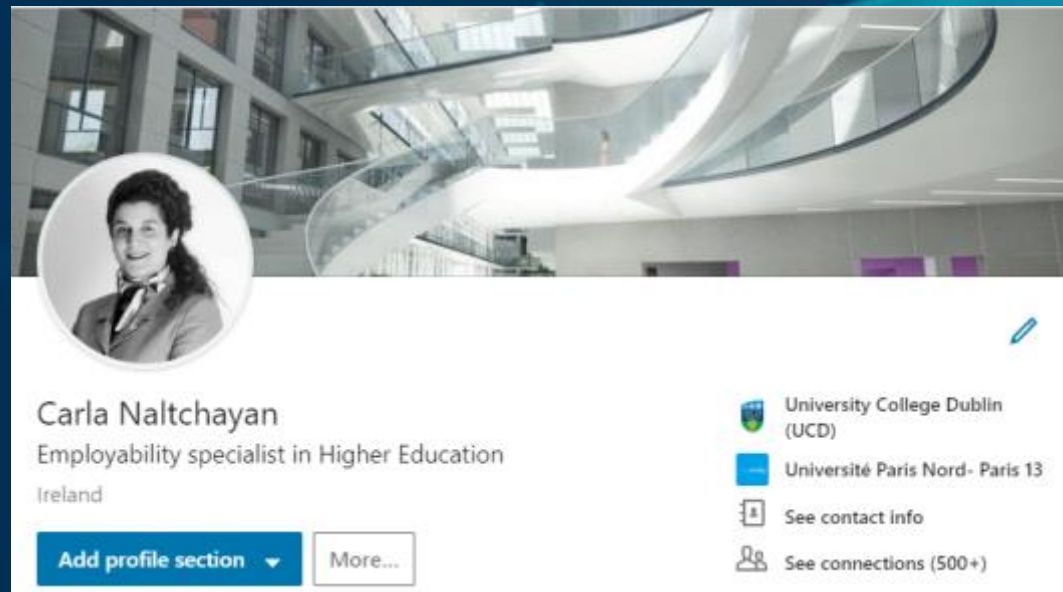
# OVER TO YOU

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