



PAID WORK EXPERIENCE

This programme has been specifically designed to provide practical work experience for those interested in the hospitality sector. The programme offers students the minimum wage plus subsidised board and lodging whilst on placement.

The programme aims to improve international understanding and give students the opportunity to explore tourist areas all over the UK. The hospitality companies are of all sizes and can be located anywhere in the UK from the Isle of Sky to Cornwall and range from family based businesses to 5 star hotels.

INTENSIVE EMPLOYMENT PREPARATORY COURSE:

All students must attend a Preparatory English Language course for a minimum of 1 week prior to their placement which will include workshops dedicated to providing students with all the necessary skills to get the most out of their experience.

Content of the course:

3 Hours standard course in the morning + 1h workshop in the afternoon:

- Interview skills and techniques
- Customer service skills
- Health & safety/food hygiene
- Hospitality industry-specific vocabulary
- Placement confirmation
- Travel confirmation
- Welcome pack and student handbook



NB: Please note all participants will be tested upon arrival and before going to their placement to ensure they have the level of English required for the programme. If they do not have the required level, they will need to do additional weeks of General English.

LEVEL 1:

This programme is suitable for students wishing to gain international work experience and who have an intermediate level of English. Placements include general assistants, bar staff, restaurant staff, housekeeping and other key roles in the hospitality industry. Previous experience in the field is not essential but would be an advantage.



LEVEL 2:

This programme is aimed at hospitality students with a higher intermediate or advanced level of English and relevant previous work experience in the field. Students are guaranteed to be placed in front office type positions or trainee hotel management positions. Students can also choose their placements and placement location. **We welcome applicants from students studying hotel management and are able to match students with larger hotel chains.**

EXPERIENCED CHEF PROGRAMME:


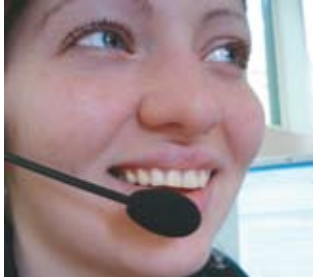

This is aimed at trainees with experience working in kitchens, trainee chef or those who have chef qualifications, are trainees with an interest in catering, or those trying to gain catering experience. The company provides accommodation, food and a training allowance equivalent to the UK national minimum wage. Deductions from the allowance will be made for tax and national insurance and there may be charges for any other services provided by the host company such as accommodation and food. **Fully trained chefs will earn more than the minimum wage.**

Positions available

Sous Chef, Chef de Partie, Commis chef, Kitchen Assistant/Food preparation



Requirements table

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	EXPERIENCED CHEF PROGRAMME
			
Programme start	Any Monday	Any Monday	Any Monday
English level	Intermediate and above IELTS 4.5	High intermediate IELTS 5.5 (submitted to telephone interview)	Intermediate and above IELTS 4.5 (submitted to telephone interview)
Age requirement	18+	21+	21+
Eligibility	EU nationals only	EU nationals only	Catering students or qualified chefs. EU nationals only
Length of programme	Min 13 weeks to 1 year Including 1 week preparatory course	Min 25 weeks to 1 year Including 1 week preparatory course	Min 13 weeks to 1 year Including 1 week preparatory course
Locations	Throughout the UK	Choices of locations in term of selecting North, South, East and West	Throughout the UK
Experience	Not necessary but some previous experience in the field would be an advantage	Relevant experience	Relevant experience as a chef or trainee chef
Examples of establishments	Hotels, restaurants, bars, other catering establishments, fast-food, campsites, theme parks amongst others.	Hotels, restaurants and country houses	Hotels, restaurants, bars, other catering establishments
Positions available	All apart from front of house, chef, etc	Front of house (waiting, reception, general assistant, bar tender...)	Sous Chef, Chef de Partie, Commis chef, Kitchen Assistant
Remuneration	Minimum wage per hour with deductions for tax, national insurance, accommodation and any other services provided by the employer	Minimum wage per hour with deductions for tax, national insurance, accommodation and any other services provided by the employer	Minimum wage per hour with deductions for tax, national insurance, accommodation and any other services provided by the employer
Accommodation	Arranged by the establishment, usually in staff quarters in or near the hotel.	Arranged by the establishment, usually in staff quarters in or near the hotel.	Arranged by the establishment, usually in staff quarters in or near the hotel.