

Student Work Experience Insights

Zuha, a Public Services student, completed a work placement with a local Primary School and has shared her experiences:

What new skills did you develop during your work placement?

- Confidence and communication skills, as I am now talking to parents, teachers and children
- Time management skills, as I also go to college and I work so it is very important to organise my time well
- I am more independent, as I am doing things on my own

What was the best part of your work placement?

- Seeing the children grow and learn new skills
- Sharing what the children have achieved with their parents and seeing their smiles

What career are you aiming for and how has your work placement helped?

- I want to join the Police and I'm currently waiting for my vetting to be approved
- The placement has helped me in preparing for my interview and gave me an example of voluntary work

What advice would you give to other students going on a work placement?

- It is so important to complete work experience because it shows how determined you are
- It is very important to use your work experience when going for interviews as it helps you get a job
- If you do it now you will benefit from it in a few years' time when it's time to get a job

Work Experience and employability skills will form a big part of your student journey when you join The Manchester College. Each week you will attend Employability Hour as part of your time-table, during which you will develop employability skills.

All students will have the opportunity to take part in work experience with one of our fantastic employer partners. Any work experience will be directly related to college studies and future career aims.

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