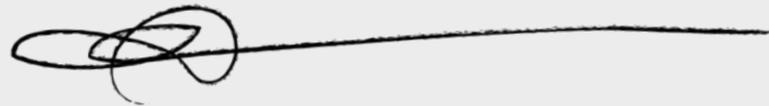


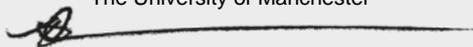
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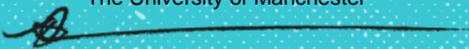
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**... “if there is one important message
I would share with new international students
arriving in the UK,
it would be.....”**

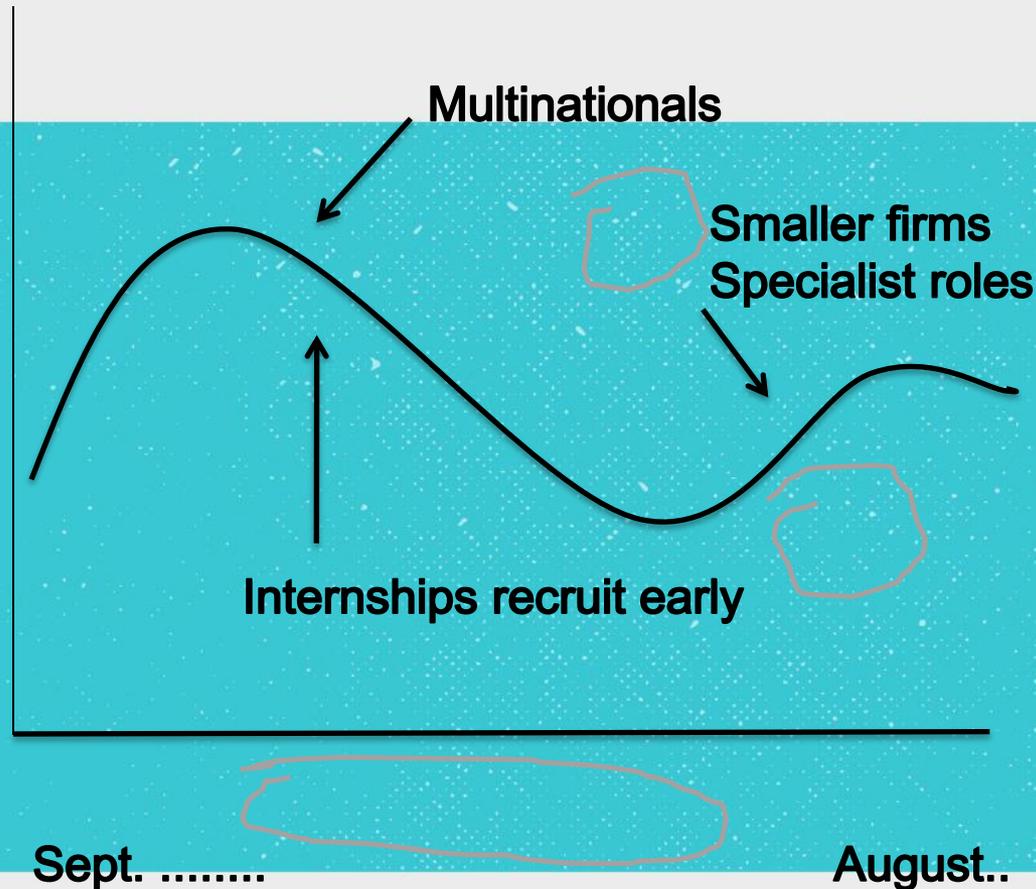


1. Understand how the job market operates.....
and act early!

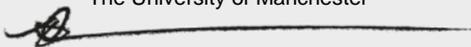


Timeframes

Check opening dates, not closing dates as many firms fill vacancies early!



Job vacancies for graduates....



What do UK employers look for?

- Skills – eg) Leadership, Team working, Initiative,
- Experience of work & commercial awareness

- Confidence & communication
 - Ability to market yourself to employers
 - English language development
- Cultural exposure - Real involvement with others

- Proactive job hunting & making things happen
- Motivation & careers insight

An increasingly global perspective amongst recruiters

Employability

- what do employers want to see?

Business / Industry Commercial awareness

- Follow industry developments,
- Network with employers,
- Online communities

Relevant experience

- volunteering, networks,
- Project work, employment

Job Search Strategies

- Marketing yourself effectively & developing evidence of your skills
- Professionalism, networks

Interpersonal skills – Team-working / leadership

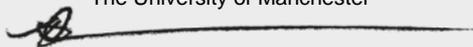
- group projects, other interests, active in societies, MLP

Self awareness

- Career insight,

International mindset

- Language development, experience
- cultural integration, international experience



The global graduate job market

Where Are All The Jobs ?

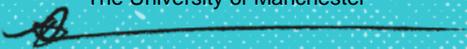
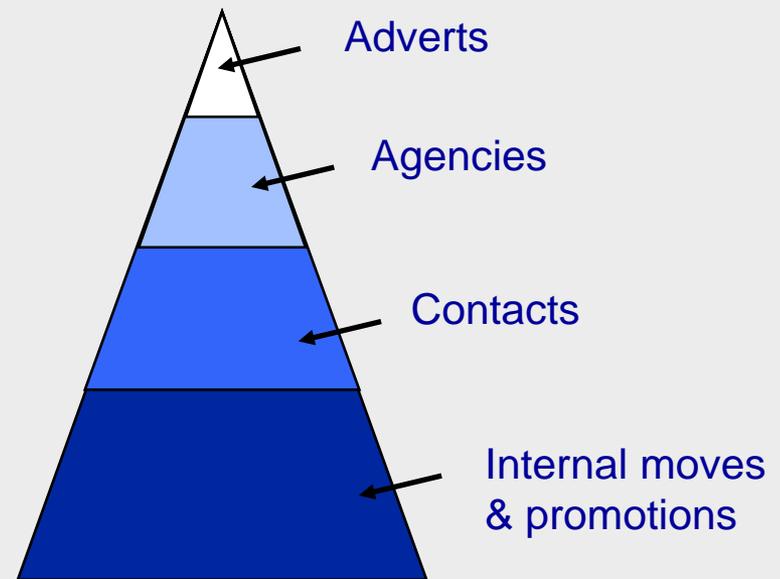


“Use a variety of job hunting techniques & be proactive”

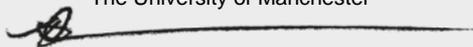
“Use Careerslink to hear about the latest jobs”

Research your career area... some career sectors recruit differently”

The importance of networks and staying connected”

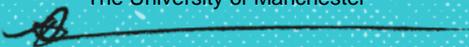


2. Boost your experience levels.....



What's available?

- **Internships** — usually 3 months. Vacation time. Popular with major organisations. Usually want pre-final year of study.
- **Placements** — usually 1 academic year of study.
- **Project work** — part of course / vacations. Set up by student or course.
- **Part-time work** — applied for by student.
- **Volunteering** — or unpaid experience?



Jobs!

Every year...

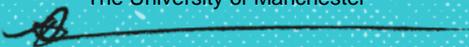
Over **7000** vacancies on CareersLink
Both graduate jobs and work experience
Including approx. **500** overseas

Start looking?..... **Now!**

www.manchester.ac.uk/careers/

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“We cannot find you a job, but we will help you to find out about what jobs are available, how to apply for them, and how to make things happen for you”.



Working as a student –

More ideas.

Part time work, placements, internships

- Your careers service advertises hundreds of these jobs from now onwards
- <http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/findjobs/workwhilestudy/>

Part time jobs/opportunities using your language skills

- Register your language ability on Careerslink

Working as a student -

Things you should know:

- **Minimum wage**

As 1st Oct 2015, is £6.70 for 21yrs+ and £5.30 for 18-20yr olds.

- **National Insurance number**

You will need to obtain a National Insurance number if you are going to work. Ring the National Insurance Contact Centre on 0845 6000 643 to apply for one

More about these at:

<http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/findjobs/workwhilestudy/>

Developing skills, confidence and commercial awareness

Local volunteering- Browse volunteering opportunities on CareersLink

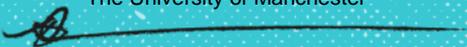
Manchester Leadership Programme – academic module with volunteering options

Career Management Skills – academic module plus project working / business projects

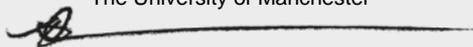
Employer-led workshops, business games, challenges-

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3. Make the experience count!

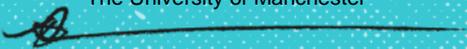


International employability?



UK study can develop:

- Language fluency
 - Confidence
 - Effective communication skills
 - Business & working experiences
 - Cultural awareness / open mindedness
 - Independence, motivation & adaptability
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- **We can help you..... But it's up to you to make this happen!**

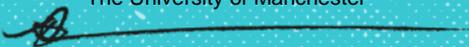


“ Excellent English language fluency, cultural adaptability and communication skills are often important criteria for recruiters”

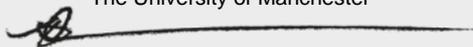
“We expect international students to take active steps to make the most of their UK experience”

“Employers are increasingly looking for a global mindset”

(Comments from employers)



4. Market yourself effectively.....

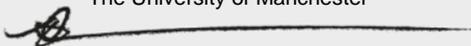


Applications / interviews

“It can mean re-thinking your approach to CVs... it is your marketing document of evidence and relevant experience”.

We offer:

- **Advice on your CV, covering letter, application form - quick query advisers through to employer sessions.**
- **Just for international students:**
- **www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/international/**
- **Interview, testing & assessment centre support available too**

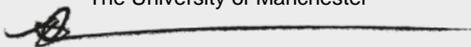


Finding out about yourself & making decisions

- Appointments available with careers specialists (book in advance)
- Consultants specialising in your degree subject/ career area of interest
- A range of take away literature, computer packages and information about different careers

<http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/findjobs/workwhilestudy/>

5. Get to grips with work visas.....

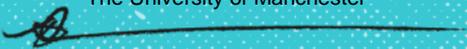


Can I work in the UK?



- **As a Student? – YES**
 - with a restriction stamp in your passport you can work while you are registered as a student.

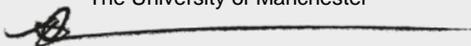
(Limited to 20 hours per week during term-time for degree students)



- **After graduation? – Not automatically!**
 - **Need an employer-sponsored work visa under Tier 2 (or a short term internship visa under tier 5).**

Conditions:

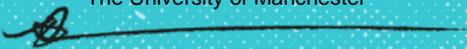
- **The employer must be on the Sponsor Register**
- **Minimum salary for the post (£20,800 or more) (check minimum for the job)**
- **“Graduate level” job (defined by UKBA)**
- **No need for a labour market test – if job offer before student visa expires**
- **Some employers are not up to date!**



Other options:

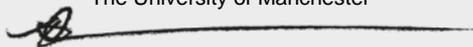
Work visas for PhD students!

- The Doctoral Extension Scheme
- Starting out in the UK –
 - The Graduate Entrepreneur Visa
 - 12 months – 2 years to develop and grow your business
- <http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/international/>

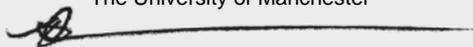


Want to know more?

- **General guidance for students**
www.manchester.ac.uk/careers/international and
www.employers.manchester.ac.uk/recruit/recruitinternationalstudents/
- **UKCISA website for plain English regarding working after studies**
<http://bit.ly/1LMiDh1>
- **The Careers Service pages for international students**
<http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/international/> - a good starting point



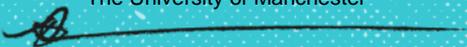
**6. Make the most of what's
on offer.....and stay flexible**



- **“It’s great to have an excellent career service, but it’s essentially about what you do whilst you are here that counts”**
- **“in a competitive climate, many graduates have to explore alternative ways to break into the job market”**
- **“stay connected... and don’t neglect job hunting in your home country too” -**
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