

IMPERIAL

Industrial Placements

Department of Computing

- Software Engineering
- Artificial Intelligence
- Machine Learning
- High Performance Computing
- Cyber Security
- Quantitative Developers
- Gaming
- Visual Computing
- Data Science
- Blockchain
- Quantum Computing

The Department of Computing at Imperial is one of the largest computing departments in the UK and is a world leader in academic research in computer science. Our Computing students represent some of the top software engineering talent in the UK.



Our Industrial Placement programme offers your organisation:

- An effective vehicle for recruiting our top graduates –recruiting a graduate who has worked with you already reduces your recruitment and training costs and may contribute to higher retention.**
- A way to exchange new ideas combined with fresh enthusiasm and knowledge of some of the latest technology.**



An Industrial Placement is a compulsory part of both our four year MEng Computing and our four year MEng in Mathematics & Computer Science degree programmes. The Placement takes place in the student's penultimate year (third year of a four year degree). Recruiting students on an Industrial Placement is one of the most effective ways of attracting world-class candidates

6 Months

For the MEng Computing students the Industrial Placement is six months in duration running from the first week in April to the end of September.

3-4 Months

MEng Mathematics and Computer Science students complete a four month placement running from the first week in June to the end of September.

Timeline

The best time to advertise Industrial Placement opportunities is at the beginning of the Autumn term for opportunities starting the following year. In order to have access to a wider range of candidates, you are advised to advertise as early as possible, preferably having the job or project specification available the first week in October. The application process starts the first week of the Academic year in October.

SEPT - JUNE

ADVERTISE

Contact us to discuss opportunities with your company - Fill in an a job description and complete the Placement Provider Information Form - Placement opportunities will be advertised internally.

OCT - JUNE

RECRUIT

- Receive students' applications
- Interviews

Assess students pre-selected for interview / assessment centre

- Make offer(s)

APR - SEP

PLACEMENTS

- MEng Computing students on Placement

JUNE - SEP

PLACEMENTS

- MEng Joint Mathematics & Computer Science students on Placement

OCTOBER

ASSESSMENT

Students present their industrial experience and submit an Executive Summary.

Submit your advert for the next cohort of Industrial Placements.

Placements key information:

- ⇒ **Paid** - Placements should be paid
Ask for recommend or competitive salaries
- ⇒ **Visited** - The student's personal tutor will visit the student whilst on the placement to ensure work is appropriate
- ⇒ **Assessed** - Students are required to submit an executive summary and deliver a presentation. Company representatives are invited to attend to support their student
- ⇒ **Work Permits** - As the Industrial Placement is a compulsory part of the degree programme, overseas students do not require a work permit to undertake an Industrial Placement. We can provide appropriate documentation to confirm this
- ⇒ **Company Assessment**
Assessment of the student's contributions and achievements by a company supervisor during the Placement is also desirable
- ⇒ **Confidentiality Concerns**
In order to assess our students we recommend that the company should resolve any confidentiality concerns regarding the executive summary and the presentation before the Placement begins. The company can ask the student to get his/ her coursework approved by an internal manager in charge of the project or the IP Department. This practice would enable the company to remove any commercially sensitive material and give the student a fair chance of assessment

Speed Interview Event

The search for an Industrial Placement search has been can be time consuming and difficult for students to juggle with their degree. To ease this, we run a Speed Interview event, where students can undertake the initial screening interview quickly and in bulk.

Date: Wednesday 14th October 2026

Time: 1pm onwards

Location: Huxley, South Kensington

Employers and placement providers can take part by completing this form: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/Sv0QLJx6xS>

There is no charge to take part, although Corporate Partners will be prioritised.

Employers will have 6 minutes with a student, to assess their suitability for their placement. They will be provided the chance to indicate which students they would like to move to the next stage of the application. i.e. code challenge, 2nd interview, technical interview. A CV book will also be provided.

Who should attend?

- Recruiters , hiring managers, or technical managers. Whoever does the initial interview.

Questions? Email docilt@ic.ac.uk

<https://www.imperial.ac.uk/computing/industry/placements/>

Our Corporate Partners

Join us as a Corporate Partner To find out about other ways in which we can support you in recruiting our students and graduates, including access to a database of student CVs, please visit our Corporate Partnership Programme web site:

<https://www.imperial.ac.uk/computing/industry/campus-recruitment/>



Contact Us

If you would like to advertise Placement opportunities or you'd like to find out more about how your organisation can benefit from hosting placement students, contact: Industrial Liaison Team

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