

Are You Our New Design Intern?

The basics

Location	Central London
Salary	£18,000 pro rata on 3 months
Working hours	Full time The pattern of hours may vary according to operational needs and generally work will be carried out during normal office hours. We're a flexible employer.
Contract	3 month-internship
Holidays	25 days per annum, plus statutory holidays
Equal Opportunities	We strive to be an equal opportunities employer and commitment to this process will be expected.

Who are we?

We are Future Cities Catapult. We develop and test urban solutions and accelerate them to market, to grow the UK economy and make cities better. We bring together businesses, universities and city leaders so that they can work with each other to solve the problems that cities face, now and in the future.

From our Urban Innovation Centre in London, we provide world-class facilities and expertise to support the development of new products and services, as well as opportunities to collaborate with others, test ideas and develop business models.

We help innovators turn ingenious ideas into working prototypes that can be tested in real urban settings. Then, once they're proven, we help spread them to cities across the world to improve quality of life, strengthen economies and protect the environment.

Our Cities Lab provides data analysis, modelling and visualisation capabilities to understand and elucidate city problems, while on-the-ground demonstrators in our network of collaborating cities provide opportunities for testing new approaches in-situ. Combined, they help us discover which new ideas can have the biggest impact on our urban environments.

By bringing together the UK's top architects, engineers, designers, academics and business professionals, we can help them transform cities on a global scale. We will strengthen the UK's ability to turn excellent urban innovations into commercial reality.

We specialise in urban strategies, connected cities and urban data science. We use these capabilities to focus our work on three core themes: integrated urban planning, healthy cities and urban mobility. We can provide impartial advice about the most effective products and services – both off-the-shelf and bespoke – to help cities make the most effective use of their investments. We're about making innovation happen in cities.

So what is it about?

We are looking for an intern with skills and experience from design disciplines such as visual design and digital applications, illustration, print-based media, branding and identity design, to help our Creative Design Team inspire our colleagues, partners, stakeholders and global audiences by bringing the work of our Future Cities Lab to life.

Fast urbanisation is one of the most important trends changing our world over the coming decades. You are interested in learning how your design talent can help cities to solve urban challenges and develop solutions that will make our cities more sustainable.

An internship with the Creative Design Team at Future Cities Catapult will give you unique opportunities to apply your design knowledge and skills to urban innovation through a wide range of live projects in multi-disciplinary collaborations between service designers, insight specialists, data scientists and developers, filmmakers and copywriters.

What will you be doing?

You will assist permanent members of our Creative Design team in creating engaging and innovative visual materials and solutions that ensure maximum impact of insights, ideas, concepts and solutions from across the organisation. Gaining understanding of our brand you will utilise the guidelines to enhance our design and visual communications through a range of analogue and digital media such as:

- Presentations and reports (Keynote, PowerPoint, InDesign, etc.)
- Workshop materials (posters, activity templates, activity cards, etc.)
- User and process flows
- Mind maps
- Storyboards and user journeys

- Site maps
- Wireframes and prototypes
- Data visualisations and info-graphics
- Digital applications and user interfaces

What kind of person are we looking for?

We are looking for an intern who is passionate about designing great user experiences, interfaces and interactions, and motivated to learn how to position these in urban contexts. You are comfortable working fast and making things tangible in an innovation environment, prototyping quickly for feedback and iteration. You love to draw, compose, create, and tell stories using images, graphics or illustrations, build, push pixels and prototype in equal measure.

Essential requirements:

- Be in the process of undertaking an undergraduate degree in a relevant design subject (graphic design, illustration, visual communication, animation, digital design, interaction design etc.)
- Samples of work showing experimentation with mobile apps, web sites, print publications, branding and identity design, illustration etc.
- Proficiency in Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign or other visual design and wire-framing tools.
- Basic UI and UX thinking.
- Good communication and storytelling skills.
- An understanding of typography, layout and graphic design skills for presentations, publications, web contributions, or prototype applications.

Desirable requirements:

- Be in the process of undertaking a postgraduate degree in a relevant design subject or urban innovation context related topic.
- Critical thinking skills with an active interest in developing our work.
- Up-to-date with the latest UX/UI trends, techniques, and technologies.
- Experience in creating wireframes, storyboards, user flows, process flows and site maps.
- Knowledge of HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript & jQuery.
- Ability to work independently and to actively contribute to a creative design agenda.
- Portfolio with motion design/animation.

Want to apply?

Send your CV with covering letter via our [application portal](#). In your cover letter tell us why you're right for the job.

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