

Are You Our New Urban Futures intern?

The basics

Location	Central London
Reporting to	Planning and Urban Design Lead
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?

The Urban Futures Team

We are a team of urban environment professionals with expertise in housing, architecture, transport, sustainability, health and well-being, planning and urbanism. We provide specialist knowledge to help understand and define city challenges, and to develop alternative urban futures using innovation, technology and system adaptation. As our projects scale we act as co-ordinators in bringing together key partners to work together to define future city solutions and markets.

We have just completed the first stage of our Future of Planning programme, a programme aimed at exploring how digital innovation, urban data, and user-centred design can improve the UK planning system. We are in the process of developing a number of follow on projects that will continue to further our ambition to improve the certainty, transparency and inclusiveness of how we plan cities today.

To continue with the success of this work so far, we are looking to bring new people into the team to help us conceive, communicate, research, and implement innovations across the built environment industry.

What will you be doing?

Main Responsibilities:

- Assist with researching innovations in urban planning, architecture, and digital development
- Produce communication material to engage a wider audience on the research and ideas developed by the team
- Help engage with partners, SME's, start-ups, local authorities and other built environment professionals
- Assist in the preparation of design sprints, workshops and other events

What kind of person are we looking for?

Essential requirements:

- Qualification in architecture, urban design, town planning or other relevant built environment subjects
- Good knowledge of the built environment industry
- Excellent visual communication skills and ability to use full range of Adobe Suite package
- Strong organisational and time management skills
- The ability to work flexibly, in a large team and under pressure

Desirable:

- Experience in data and digital production

Want to apply?

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