

STUDENT PLACEMENT PROCESS – H&S NOVEMBER 2018

The following outlines the steps which should be followed when arranging a student placement (UK and overseas).

For overseas placements, the University's Overseas Travel Policy also applies. In addition, a specific risk assessment may be required for both the placement activity and the overseas travel/stay.

A number of example overseas placement risk assessments, including a wealth of overseas travel information and fieldwork guidance (which may need to be considered for some activities) is available on the <u>Health and Safety Website</u>.

Familiarize yourself with the University's Student Placement

By Whom

School / Student

University Placement Procedures

STEP 1:

		Procedure: University Procedure for Placement Learning	
	•	The Procedure explains the academic requirements and sets the minimum health and safety controls for any placement	
STEP 2:	Fin	ding the Placement / Making Contact	By Whom
	•	Research the Host organization (Placement Provider) – seek the previous experience of other students if possible	Placement Coordinator or Student
		Confirm the Host can:	Student
		 Deliver the academic experience required 	
		 Provide a safe place to learn and work 	
	•	Contact the Host and agree in principle that they can facilitate the Placement	Student
	•	 Identify a contact person at the Host organization who will: Coordinate the Placement during the planning stages Provide / arrange support during the Placement 	Student
	•	At this point, confirm the Host can support any protected characteristics and/or specific welfare requirements	Placement Coordinator or Student

STEP 3:	Plac	cement Authorisation	By Whom
	•	Consider the Placement, making sure that the Host can meet the requirements defined by: o The University Procedure for Placement Learning o Criteria defined by Professional Bodies or Sponsors o USHA Guidance on Health and Safety of Placements for HE Students	Placement Coordinator -or other(s) authorized by School/College
	•	Formally issue the Placement Form to the Host, who must complete and sign Section B. NOTE: An additional H&S Placement Checklist is available, if required	Placement Coordinator/ Student
	•	On receipt from the Host of the completed Section B of the Placement Form consider the health and safety risks and agree pre-placement information and training required	Placement Coordinator/ Student
	•	Following this, confirm suitability of the Placement and sign and date the Form	Placement Coordinator/ Student
	•	NOTE: For all overseas Placements, a suitable Risk Assessment must be in place for both the work/study placement activities and overseas travel/stay	Student