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WE ARE RECRUITING FOR A
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OUR TEAM.

TERM: **9 months** (*possible extension to 12 months*)

SALARY: **22k.**

ABOUT US

Innovation Unit is a not for profit social enterprise operating primarily in the UK and Australia.

We create new solutions that enable more people to belong and contribute to thriving societies. Our focus is on developing thriving youth, thriving families and thriving communities.

Our approach to innovation is based on ten years working with ambitious partners in the UK and around the world. It is underpinned by a core principle: that innovation must be driven by and liberate human potential, agency and collective action.

To create the kind of impact we want to have in the world, we focus our energy on three areas:

- High value innovation consultancy - Applying and sharing our expertise in what it takes to have impact through innovation at scale.
- Initiating and growing new ventures - Leading and contributing to alliances for change, and securing investment to grow new solutions 'on the ground' where we can make a significant impact.
- Generating the demand for innovation - Actively sharing what we think, believe and know about where innovation is needed and the positive change it can create.

ABOUT YOU

You are ambitious, creative and independent. You care passionately about making a difference to people's lives and have the courage, energy and focus to make things happen and do great work.

You will need to think and learn fast to keep up, be proactive and take responsibility for your own development. The work we do is challenging but also inspiring and incredibly motivating.

ABOUT THE ROLE:

We'd like to hear from you if you think you have what it takes to join our amazing team on a full time paid internship for 9 months, with the possibility of extension to 12 months.

You will work hard to support our amazing team across our business, but with a particular focus on supporting our project teams as part of our high impact consultancy. This could involve everything from desk based and qualitative research (often with people who use and deliver public services) and the coordination of project tasks, to workshop facilitation and the production of fantastic comms materials. You will work with clients ranging from schools and hospitals, local authorities and CCGs to charities and third sector providers.

THE TERMS:

Our terms are generous: you'll be based in our offices in London Old Street, earn £22,000 per year and receive 27 days paid holiday per year. You will have opportunities to work directly with clients and partners, who include: Government departments; local authorities; large national charities; international consultancies; health and social care commissioners and providers; and schools. We will help you to get the most out of your time with IU and to prepare for your next adventure.

IU interns go on to amazing careers after they leave us. Some join think tanks, design agencies and research organisations. Others are inspired to join provider organisations to deliver the brilliant new services and systems they've been innovating.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please send us your CV and a 500 word blog post on an issue that's captured your attention in the news this month - relating to how you think radical innovation of the kind Innovation Unit promotes could help.

If your ideas are bold and smart we will invite you to take part in a short telephone interview and then arrange to meet you face to face if we like what we hear – and if you like us!

Please apply by sending your CV and blog post to kim.bosher@innovationunit.org by midday on 8th September. Telephone interviews will be held on 11th September, with face to face interviews the following week. We'd like successful candidates to start as soon as possible.