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Work experience at BDO

We offer unpaid work experience of up to one week for 16 and 17 year olds who are still at school. To request work experience people should send their name, phone number, school name and date of work experience to **hrdepartment@bdo.co.uk**

We also offer paid work experience to university students who would be interested in working in BDO. These placements are often advertised in the same way that permanent roles are advertised so check our website for more details. You can also register your interest through our HR department.

Accounting Technicians Ireland Apprenticeship scheme

Is University not for you? We have the answer!

This scheme is a two year course where you work in BDO and study at Belfast Metropolitan College. It means you can earn plus gain a nationally recognised professional qualification.

At the end of the course you will have a Diploma of Accounting Technicians from Accounting Technicians Ireland (ATI) which is a Level 5 qualification and is equivalent to a foundation degree.

This apprenticeship aims to provide a structured environment where you will develop the professional values, leadership, technical/functional competencies and the personal and interpersonal attributes that define the role of an accounting technician and chartered accountant.

2 year course

1 day per week	Belfast Met
4 days per week	Work placement

Anyone interested in completing the HLA and having their work placement at BDO should send their details to **hrdepartment@bdo.co.uk** and we will be able to provide assistance with the selection process such as help with completing the Belfast Met application form and mock interviews.

"I started my work experience at BDO when I was 16 and I found that it has given me a great insight into what a career in accountancy involves.

I feel that my work experience at BDO gave me a sound knowledge of basic accounting principals which I found extremely useful for my first year at university.

During my work experience with BDO I felt like I was treated like an actual member of staff as everyone was so welcoming and friendly."

Serena

"BDO has been a key partner with Belfast Metropolitan College in the launch of our Higher Level Apprenticeship in Accounting. The programme reflects the growing opportunities for school leavers in professional development through apprenticeships - with a two year employment contract combining practical skills development with study towards the professional ATI Level 5 Diploma. This programme depends on effective partnership between the college, the employer and the apprentice, and in BDO the college has found an ideal partner – working to maximise learner success.

We are delighted to be working with BDO, confident that their apprentices will not only experience a challenging and fulfilling two years on programme, but also the opportunity to progress on a longer term career pathway with this highly respected employer."

Christine Brown,
Head of School , Business Management & Finance, Belfast Metropolitan College

"BDO, for me, have been the backbone of my success in the first year of the HLA programme. This is due to the welcoming environment and support network visible within the company as upon starting you are appointed with mentors who help, guide and build confidence throughout your learning career. Within BDO,I have found that all members of staff are approachable and ready to help with a strong desire to improve my technical knowledge and aid my professional development.

This entrance route suits me because it means that I earn while I learn whilst having no fees to pay. Furthermore I gain great experience of industry and develop my skills."

Catherine