

COURSE SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT

Academic School / Department:	RIASA
Programme:	BA International Sports Management
FHEQ Level:	6
Course Title:	Internship
Course Code:	SPRT 6401
Total Hours:	230
Timetabled Hours:	0
Guided Learning Hours:	6
Independent Learning Hours:	224 , with a minimum of 210 practice hours (equivalent to 6 weeks full-time on a 35-hour working week, or 15 weeks part-time on a 2 day working week)
Credit	32 UK CATS credits 16 ECTS Credits 8 US credits

Course Description:

The internship is a work placement within an organization related to the world of sport management. It provides students with an experiential learning opportunity in which to develop intellectual, professional, and personal skills and prepares students to function effectively in culturally diverse working environments across key sport management sectors. Internships are supervised by faculty and each student will also complete a series of learning activities throughout the internship. These activities are designed to help students reflect on personal development and key skills attained, the benefits gained from the internship experience, and to shape and determine goals for future career pathways.

Prerequisites:

60 credits and a 3.0 GPA

Aims and Objectives:

Aim: the internship offers students an experiential learning opportunity to develop industry-specific skills in a work environment of associated with the sports management sector.

Objectives:

- To develop skills needed for a particular sports management environment
- To reflect upon work experience and possible future career paths
- To consider the application of learned academic and practical knowledge within a professional context
- To develop students' professional communication skills

Programme Outcomes:

C6 (II), C6 (III), D6 (I), D6 (III)

A detailed list of the programme outcomes are found in the Programme Specification. This is located at the archive maintained by Registry and found at:

<https://www.richmond.ac.uk/programme-and-course-specifications/>

Course Learning Outcome	Programme Outcome
<p>Communication Skills Demonstrates the communication skills needed to plan and manage for a workplace context and a range of audiences, and to engage in group work in a professional environment.</p> <p>Demonstrates the ability to formulate, synthesise and effectively articulate arguments potentially incorporating competing perspectives, concepts and evidence in a range of formats and media as appropriate to a professional context.</p>	<p>C6 (II) C6 (III)</p>
<p>Transferable Skills Demonstrates the ability to act with minimal direction or supervision, to engage in self-reflection, use feedback to analyse own capabilities, appraise alternatives, and plan and implement actions.</p> <p>Demonstrate entrepreneurial education in the form of skills and practices that translate directly into employment, ideally in the form of work that contributes to a portfolio.</p>	<p>D6 (I) D6 (III)</p>

Indicative Content:

- Critical reflection on the internship experience.
- Exploration of the range of career pathways possible within the field of sport business and management.
- Hands-on skills within a specific sector of the field of sport business and management.
- Communicating within a professional context.

Assessment:

This course conforms to the University Assessment Norms approved at Academic Board and located at: <https://www.richmond.ac.uk/university-policies/>

Teaching Methodology:

This course will be delivered face to face through a combination of lectures and interactive sessions. In addition to classroom activities, there are guided learning elements that are tutor led and arranged through Blackboard. These activities can be asynchronous online sessions, flipped classrooms, set readings with discussion boards or set guest lectures for example. Set activities are monitored by the instructor to ascertain student engagement. Students are encouraged to prepare for class and to play an active part, to raise questions, following-up ideas and interact with a wide range of provided material.

Indicative Text(s):

Cottrell, S. (2015) *Skills for Success*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.

Foster, S. and Dollar, J. (2017) *Experiential Learning in Sport Management: Internships and Beyond*. 2nd edn. West Virginia. FIT Publishing.

Hooley, T. (2017) *You are Hired! Graduate Career Handbook: Maximise Your Employability and Get a Graduate Job*. British Library: Crimson Publishing.

Johnson, K. (2021) *Business and Management Internships*. London. Routledge.

Moon, J. (2019) *Learning Journals: A Handbook for Reflective Practice and Professional Development*. Second Edition. London. Routledge.

See syllabus for complete reading list.

Change Log for this CSD:

Nature of Change	Date Approved & Approval Body (School or AB)	Change Actioned by Registry Services
First Edition	Dec 2024	