



QUEEN'S
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BELFAST

SCHOOL OF
LAW

VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Virtual work experience
programmes that give students
the opportunity to learn
career skills from Fortune 500



Forage Virtual Work Experience Programmes



Forage

These programmes from Forage replicate work at top companies and connect students to the companies themselves. In 5-10 hours, students can learn relevant tools and skills necessary to complete similar tasks during their workday. Note:

- no applications or experience required by participants;
- participants can chose to enrol at a time that best suits them and their commitments. So highly relevant skills gained, at the participants own time and pace;
- a great way to show an initial interest or passion for a particular firm and the type of work they do – proving beneficial in any future recruitment process;
- supporting companies believe talent matters more than your connections. Online experience programmes allow anyone from any background, any University, any degree discipline and any walk of life to experience life at a law firm without barriers.

Some programmes on offer include:

Baker McKenzie	Virtual Experience Program - begin your world-class career
Clifford Chance	Cyber Security Global Virtual Internship
Hogan Lovells	BaSE Legal Learning Hub, UK Virtual Experience Program
Linklaters	UK Commercial Law Virtual Programme
Pinsent Masons	Virtual Work Experience Program
White & Case	US Virtual Learning Program – The future of law is global

"I thought this programme was fantastic. It tested different skills and was the right length which I could incorporate around my other university work. Overall a brilliant programme, especially for free, and one that I have very much enjoyed taking part in."

Harry McKenna - Kennedys Law Virtual Experience

"I really enjoyed the internship, it was very user-friendly and had great insights. The skills learned in terms of research into different areas of data protection law and drafting advice to a client will certainly be something I will rely on going forward."

Jack McCann - Clifford Chance Cybersecurity Law Virtual Experience

1. Completed post primary education, and in 2017 attained A levels in Applied Business, ICT, and English Literature

2. Enrolled in QUB Philosophy BA in QUB in September 2017

3. Applied, and selected to participate, in the 'Brussels Workplace Study Tour' which provided Ryan his first insight into a commercial law firm

4. During 2nd year undertook Student Intern role in QUB Students' Union.

5. During 3rd year studied abroad in Chicago and Illinois (having secured a Study USA scholarship).

6. Undertook Clifford Chance's Global Virtual Internship.

In his final year, Ryan identified this internship opportunity, which is open to all. He completed tasks typical of those undertaken by a legal trainee. The company had stated they consider these internships legitimate and relevant experience for a CV.

7. Awarded Training Contract with Clifford Chance which will commence in August 2023.

Ryan's contract will commence after his completion of the PGDL (law conversion course) and LPC/SQE. He is in regular contact with the firm and has been invited to various virtual events.

Career Pathway of Ryan Lavelle

