



Welcome to the the winter edition of our newsletter, helping you stay up to date with what's happening at BU while you're on placement.

I trust that you are enjoying your industry experiences and I'm sure you're looking forward to a well-earned break over the festive season. We'll send an update to you each term about campus life but remember, our careers and faculty placement teams are always there to support you, wherever you are in the world!

I hope you enjoy reading our latest news!

Very best wishes,

Linda

Linda Ladle
Careers & Employability Manager, Student Services, BU



Ellie's placement so far...

Hi! I'm Ellie and I study Communications & Media. I've been on my placement in BU's press team for three months and am really enjoying it!



I've already been managing social media channels, interviewed people and had stories published in the local newspaper. My main piece of advice is to start putting your portfolio together, even if you don't have your logbook yet – I've been doing mine and love seeing what I've accomplished in black and white!

Read Ellie's full story at:
www.bournemouth.ac.uk/ellie-so-far

#MyPlacementStory

Our #MyPlacementStory celebrates the many ways you make a difference to the workplace, and we've had some truly brilliant tales sent our way!



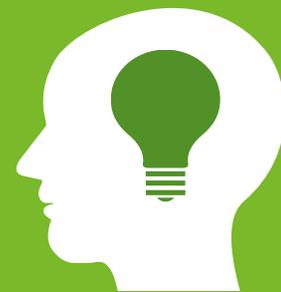
Master's student **Yisi Lu** took her passion for sport all the way to the Adidas headquarters in Shanghai, choosing clothing for studios, athletes and sport stars to translating documents as well as presenting a Rio Olympics 2016 news summary: "I was nervous and completely lost in a new working environment. I have become a more professional girl in a real business world. Be patient, be confident, be the best!"



Adult Nursing student **Samantha** stayed closer to home working with the South Western Ambulance Service. Samantha was one of the first on the scene at Boscombe Pier for a dramatic incident where a fisherman nearly died after accidentally swallowing a Dover Sole. The angler was having a heart attack after swallowing a fish which had wriggled into his mouth as he kissed it – before intending to the throw it back in the water. Samantha and her team managed to remove the fish and save the man's life. Sadly, the fish didn't make it.

Read their full stories and more at
www.bournemouth.ac.uk/my-placement-story

We're always looking for more so send yours to studentcomms@bournemouth.ac.uk or share your placement journey on social media using #MyPlacementStory.



Celebrate your research with

SURE

BU's annual undergraduate research conference – Showcasing Undergraduate Research Excellence (SURE) – returns for a third year on 7 March 2018. You're invited to share examples of research you've been involved with during your studies at BU or on your placement – the key is being able to evidence your critical thinking through your work.

Applications close 21 December – for more information visit www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sure2018



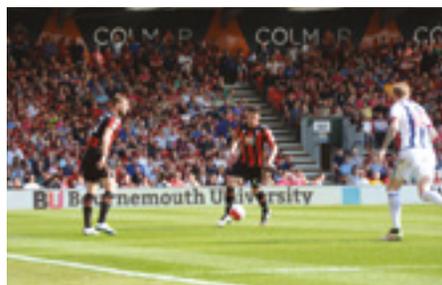
Talbot Campus landscaping project

The central courtyard on Talbot Campus is now fully landscaped, creating a relaxing atmosphere and giving you more spaces to sit outside and enjoy those sunny days when you come back. There's a new bus hub in front of Poole House now too!



Brightspace – a new virtual learning environment

Almost half of students started this year using Brightspace instead of myBU. You'll be using it too when you return, but don't worry, we'll tell you how and what to do when you re-enrol next summer.



More news

Find out what's open at **BU over Christmas**, how to borrow resources from **other uni libraries** in the UK and look out for the **BU Big Match** when AFC Bournemouth play Liverpool FC on 17 December.



Placement Prize awarded to Alannah Jose

The BU Annual Undergraduate Placement Prize, worth £500, recognises students who have made outstanding contributions to their placement employer during their sandwich year.

LLB Law student Alannah Jose was selected by the panel for her work with Victim Support last year – she will collect her prize at her graduation ceremony. The panel of judges who selected Alannah as the overall prize winner commented:

“Alannah demonstrated an independent and creative approach to her work which clearly went above and beyond that expected of a placement student. She showed excellent communication and organisational skills and made improvement to practice. Her support of over 100 victims of crime is very impressive. This very convincing application makes us feel proud of our students”.

You'll have the opportunity to nominate yourself for this prize next summer – we'll share more details in our summer update.

'Tis the season!

Lastly, we'd like to wish you a wonderful winter break and invite you to enjoy some festive fun with us.

Answer the question “What has made you **#BUproud** in 2017” on social media using **#BUproud** for the chance to win a prize between 1-15 December.

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