

# KPMG STUDENT PROGRAMMES

## JOB DESCRIPTION – Consulting

### Work Placement – Consulting



#### What will I do in KPMG?

Thinking about a career in accountancy and professional services, but not sure what it is all about? Our Work Placement Programme offers you a fantastic opportunity to discover at first-hand what it is like to work at KPMG and to find out more about the range of services that we provide for our clients.

We enjoy a reputation as the market leader in the areas of technology, financial services, property, manufacturing and distribution. Your Placement at KPMG aims to prepare you for a career in business and give you an understanding of our business, our clients, our people and our culture.

#### What is working in Consulting like?

"I was lucky enough to be working on client site for most of my placement in Risk Consulting (in Consulting) on different engagements which varied in size and duration. This gave me a very broad experience doing different projects where I got great exposure to the banking and finance industry in Ireland.

On all the teams I worked, I was constantly mentored by those around me, always being taught through experience. Working in Consulting has changed the way I think and work, approaching problems and tasks in a more direct and structured way. Throughout my placement I received a lot of support from KPMG graduates and some of the more senior members of the teams, always being guided in terms of both my professional and personal development.

My input was always meaningful and any tasks I carried out were clearly explained in such a way that I understood not just my contribution, but its place in the bigger picture - which led to a complete understanding of entire processes, firms and industries. What struck me most was how, from day 1 of my first engagement, I was not treated as an Intern but rather a working professional. This followed through on all the teams I worked with - giving me a truly comprehensive view of what it is like to work in KPMG and the professional services industry."

Conor Whelehan (UCD, BComm.) – Consulting Placement,  
What you'll do as a KPMG Consulting Placement



### 5 Reasons to join KPMG

#### 01 Meaningful Work Experience



We prioritise giving our students real responsibility by working shoulder to shoulder with the major players, to see the nuts and bolts of how they work

#### 02 We're top of the class



We're Ireland's #1 professional services firm and we've got the awards to prove it.

- #1 gradIreland Best Internship Programme 2018
- #1 gradIreland Graduate Employer of the Year (Accountancy & Professional Services) 2019
- #1 Most Attractive Employer for Business Students in Ireland 2019

#### 03 Get your house in order



Literally – scoring a job in a new city can be exciting but there are practicalities to sort too. Our dedicated 'house-hunter' will help you to search for your new home free of charge

#### 04 Support @Work



Transitioning from college life can be daunting. Your assigned KPMG Performance Manager and Buddy will show you the ropes, help you find your feet, and sharpen your skills and knowledge on the job

#### 05 'Aspire & Ignite.'



Make your time at KPMG count with our award winning development programme for Interns and Work Placements. You'll develop key professional and personal skills focused on your future development as part of our 'Aspire & Ignite' Programme.

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Inclusion & Diversity - Pride Week

### What training and support will I get?

At KPMG, we understand that the transition from college to working life can be daunting.

We support all of our Placements through:

- A dedicated Performance Manager
- A Buddy System
- 'Aspire & Ignite' Development Programme

The support provided by the KPMG Business School and the 'Aspire & Ignite' Development Programme will be exemplary right from the beginning of your time here.

Your first day will involve induction training, where you will get an insight into the different departments, get your laptop set up, get information on all the extra-curricular activities that you can get involved in - and most importantly get to know everyone in your Placement Programme group. The induction training is a great way to gradually get you ready for office life. Following on from this you will have IT virtual training and e-learnings, which allow you to become confident and familiar with the IT systems in KPMG.

The training and support does not end here. In KPMG, Placements have training sessions monthly, normally on Friday afternoons. These involve team building skills, nutritional talks, and development days where you're supported in your integration into the working world. This training is fun and light-hearted, and is sure to make you laugh on a Friday afternoon!

### Life@KPMG

"During my Placement I joined the Konnect committee, a group of Interns and Placements from each department who organised events for the rest of the students. This was an unexpected opportunity to gain experience in planning events, like the boat party and Placement Ball we held, or our Placement weekend away to Galway.

I took part in two sports days, both were followed by food and drinks, and they were a great opportunity to not only have fun but also network and come together as a team. I socialised regularly with my team on the projects I worked on. We once went to the 'Escape Rooms' for a team challenge. All the socialising brought the teams closer together and allowed for great networking opportunities to talk to people of all levels from Intern to Partner."

**Conor Whelehan (UCD, Bcomm.) – Consulting Placement,**  
*about his experience of the social side of KPMG Placement life*



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Corporate Citizenship Day - Beach Clean



Global Internship Programme



Global Advantage Programme



Summer BBQ



KPMG Boat Party



Sports and Social Events

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### Where will I work?

- Positions are based in our Dublin, Cork, Galway, and Belfast offices.
- KPMG provide assistance in finding accommodation in Dublin.
- Depending on your KPMG department, you will regularly be based at the client's premises with your team.



### How long is it for?

You will complete a paid Work Placement with us – the duration and start date will depend on your college's requirements. Please contact your Placement Office for further information.



### How do I apply?

Contact your Placement Office directly to submit an application to KPMG. Your CV must include:

- Your Leaving Certificate results (or equivalent)
- Results of all your university exams to date
- Any positions of responsibility that you have held
- Previous work experience (e.g. part time jobs)
- Your interests and key achievements to date (e.g. societies, groups, hobbies)
- Your preferences for Audit, Tax, Deal Advisory, Deal Advisory, and office location



Corporate Citizenship - St Michael's House



Placement Spring Boat Party



Great Departments Events