Module Title: Learning from Work Placement

Module Code: LNSE018

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Course Outline

This module looks at work based learning, how it functions in a changing sector and the ethics of unpaid labour. You will research and investigate learning and career development in the individual sector of your placement, position your own placement in that spectrum and critically evaluate this positioning in relation to current ethical debates around work placements, educational, organisational and leadership theory. To do this you will need to critically assess your individual learning, research career entry and trajectories in your sector, analyse your experience, your placement organisation and evaluate how it works in relation to theory and practice and evaluate how generalizable or unique it is across the sector. As such this module will be personal to each student, requires independent research, critical analysis and constant self-reflection in relation to “expected norms” of organisations and “expected norms” of models of teaching and learning which is not always easy.

Teaching and Learning Methods

There are three Monday workshop sessions and an oral assessment class.

The workshops will introduce you to: the recent debates and changing practices around work based learning and their impacts on placements and internships in addition to the pedagogy of experiential learning. The workshops will also introduce students to the theoretical frameworks for organisations and leadership. During the workshops you are expected to participate fully in the class debates, share placement experiences, case studies, workshop exercises and prepare the out of class reading which will be posted on Moodle. You will also need to conduct your own independent reading and research, manage your own learning and reflection throughout your work experience in order to meet assessment deadlines.

Coursework and Assessment

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<td>A) 2000 word critical analysis of the work placement/ internship and how it functions in the sector today.</td>
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<td>B) Short (approximately 5 minute) presentation reflecting on individual learning and experience in relation to the</td>
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Work placement | Evaluation of practical placement | 40%

**Suggested Reading**


