Do you want a Life Science PhD Student for a 3 month Placement?

We are currently looking for organisations who are interested in hosting a Life Science PhD student on a 3 month placement. All students will be funded by the Biotechnology & Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC) and their stipend will cover them during their placement.

POSSIBLE PLACEMENT PROJECT AREAS
The students have strong quantitative, data analysis, information synthesis and problem solving skills alongside drive, motivation and communication skills so will be able to provide a high level of resource for your organisation. The type of work undertaken could include, but is not limited to,
- researching and developing recommendations for policy
- working on an area of R&D or commercialisation/patent work
- public engagement or outreach work such as public programmes, events, teaching
- conducting and analysing market research
- developing business strategies and solutions
- writing a strategic plan/document and making recommendations
- creating a communications or marketing strategy

THE BENEFITS for an organisation taking on a life science BBSRC PhD Student are:
- Little to no cost to organisation
- Motivated, committed and bright individual
- Breakthrough thinking (not blinkered or stereotyped)
- Opportunity to assess student’s potential for future employment
- Flexibility in staff deployment and increased productivity
- Increased awareness of current academic developments in the student’s subject area
- Generating goodwill within the academic community

KEY POINTS
- The placement cannot relate to the student’s PhD research project
- The placement will enable BBSRC sponsored research students to further develop their range of transferable skills. The experience will benefit their future careers, and aid their career choice on graduation.

PREVIOUS HOST ORGANISATIONS HAVE SAID:
- ‘A brilliant addition to the team. He came in with an epic can-do attitude, was dropped into the (massive!) deep end with Bears4Rare, and rose to the challenge exceptionally.’
- ‘Susanna’s performance far outstripped my expectations for the internship. She was committed, innovative and an all-round high performer. She learnt new skills where required, especially in marketing and communication, and was a great addition to the team.’
- ‘It was a pleasure to work with Catryn and I hope to see her at science communication events in the future.’
- ‘We are keen to keep in touch with Maheen, potentially through other placements. Longer-term we’d be very happy to work with Maheen on a more permanent basis following her studies, if she chose to work in our sort of organisation.’

More information is at https://www.ucl.ac.uk/careers/specialistsupport/researchers/bbsrc

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Jess Barber, Placements & Vacancies Officer, UCL Careers – jess.barber@ucl.ac.uk