

Durham University internship with the Institute of Medieval and Early Modern Studies (IMEMS)

Durham University in the UK is distinctive - a residential Collegiate University with long traditions and modern values. It seeks the highest distinction in research and scholarship and is committed to excellence in all aspects of education and transmission of knowledge. Durham looks forward to the engagement of their Institute of Medieval and Early Modern Studies (IMEMS) in this initiative.

Internship details include:

The Institute of Medieval and Early Modern Studies (IMEMS) is one of the largest and most diverse concentrations of medieval and early modern studies in the world. A versatile ensemble of academics, curators, students, practitioners, and volunteers, we cover a comprehensive range of areas from Late Antiquity to the late eighteenth century, with a global range from the Silk Road to the Anglo-Saxon and Viking North. We promote the global standing of Durham University's research, and its museums and collections, by initiating, coordinating and supporting networks, programs and projects, and lectures and workshops for both specialists and the wider public. As the academic hub for Durham's UNESCO World Heritage Site, we champion a framework for rigorous research, impact, and dissemination, in order to strengthen the global understanding and appreciation of one of Europe's great Palatinates. Durham is a site of Outstanding Universal Value: by studying its past, we engage with the present and map strategies for its future.

We are offering approximately 3 to 4 months internship opportunities for students undertaking PhD research. The successful applicants will be involved in IMEMS' on-going research project on 'Understanding Durham World Heritage Site Today'. Our project investigates how the World Heritage Site operates as a living community, including the ways in which worshipers, residents, visitors and researchers interact and engage with the site. Interns will work with IMEMS to collect data from visitors at the World Heritage Site, but also from communities beyond the site to understand its wider economic and social role. The interns will therefore be introduced to a range of institutions at Durham and broaden their horizons in heritage practice and research, as well as giving them insights into our training programs.