

Student and Workers FAQ's

Can I work while I'm studying?

During term time, students are limited to working 20 hours per week. This could possibly be less depending on your visa requirements.

If I'm an Overseas Student, can I work while I'm in the UK?

If you hold a Tier 4 visa, and your visa states that work is permitted, then you can work. If you are doing a full-time degree-level course, then you should be able to work 20 hours per week during term time and full-time during your vacations. If you are doing a course that is below degree level (such as a foundation course or Pre-sessional English course), then you should be able to work 10 hours per week during term time, and full-time during your vacations. The key is to check your visa page and/or Biometric Residence Permit.

If you are in the UK as a Standard Visitor or as a Short-term Student, you will not be able to do any work.

What if I don't have my National Insurance (NI) number yet?

You can start work before your National Insurance number arrives if you can prove your right to work or study in the UK as mentioned above. Please note that if you do start working before your NI arrives you may be put on an 'emergency' tax code as HMRC doesn't know enough about your income or tax details for the tax year. You can only apply for it once you are in the UK. Please visit the following link for more information on how to apply for a NI number.

Who can join the QTemps pool?

The QTemps pool is open to current students, alumni and individuals who would like to join our workforce.

What sort of jobs are on offer?

We have a diverse range of opportunities available at any given time. It can range from tutoring, web and game development, administration, media relations and much more!

What are the benefits of using the QTemps service?

We are offering flexible working that could be part time, a couple of hours a week or even full time positions. We are also offering you holiday pay per hour, automatic enrolment into our pension scheme as per employment law if you are over 22. We are also providing valuable work experience aimed to increase your employability.

How will I be paid?

You will need to submit online timesheets on a weekly basis and once they are approved, payment will be made directly to your bank account.

How much will I be paid?

We offer a variety of roles at varying rates. However, as QMUL is one of the six Principal Partners of the national Living Wage Foundation the absolute minimum we offer is £10.20 per hour which is above the national minimum wage.

