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Teaching & Projects Abroad are able to offer legal placements which give volunteers a unique insight into the often bewildering world of the lawyer at two amazing locations guaranteed to be unlike any experienced before.



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Whether you are training to be a lawyer, trying to break into the notoriously difficult legal profession or are merely considering the idea as a possible career move, a structured law place-

Law in China

Our Law placements in China are based in Shanghai. To be at the heart of one of Asia's financial power-houses is a chance which really should not be missed by anyone considering a possible career in the cut, thrust and of course riches of commercial law! No global company now can afford not to be situated in Shanghai as the city is one of the continent's capitals for the resolution of property development, banking law disputes, intellectual property and legal consulting. Not to mention the fact that it is the gateway to the largest consumer market in the world and as a result businesses the world over are literally falling over themselves to get a piece of the action. Of course, coming hand-in-hand with that is the need for legal services.

Not only does this placement offer a unique chance to embrace the combination of the all too often clichéd 'East meets West' melting pots in terms of culture and lifestyle but you will also experience a very different legal system. It cannot be stressed too strongly that international experience is something that modern law firms and Barristers' chambers are actively seeking in applicants due to the ever increasing international dimension to national law. It is hard to think of a better way to demonstrate this to a prospective employer or university than working from the 28th Floor of the Jin Mao Tower (one of the tallest towers in the world) with a view over central Shanghai working with English speaking lawyers on the latest international mergers and acquisitions!

"I had an amazing time. China is an exciting and amazing place. The people, the culture, everything. Teaching & Projects Abroad is the only way to have done what I have done. I really appreciated the support of your team in Shanghai."

Juliet Raine, China

"I had an amazing time. My accommodation was brilliant - much better than expected, and Shanghai was as brilliant. Teaching & Projects Abroad was excellent for me. You sorted out any problems, proved to be flexible and understanding and brought the volunteers together. I would definitely recommend Teaching & Projects Abroad!"

Tom Henry, China



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ment with a well respected law firm would be a striking addition to the most impressive of CVs. There are also openings in specialist legal fields available on request.

Our Law placements are either based in the buzzing, bustling capital city of Ghana, Accra or in the commercial capital of China, Shanghai.



■ Law in Ghana

Accra is the capital of Ghana, West Africa. This bustling city is actually an ideal location for law placements due to the country's colonial legacy. The legal system is based upon the principles of English common law, the same as the whole of North America, Australasia and obviously England. Volunteers not only from these countries listed but also from Scotland and the European Union in particular would therefore find the experience invaluable. It would serve for those unfamiliar with the Common Law system as a thorough in-depth hands-on induction to a different legal tradition.

Our contacts in Ghana are of the highest standing and offer a varied workload for the aspiring lawyer. You could undertake a wide ranging brief of responsibilities including preparing and checking legal documents and drafting letters of opinion. Volunteers in the past have interviewed clients and shadowed supervising lawyers in court. The lawyers we work with are as diverse in their fields of expertise as aspiring lawyers are themselves! We have placements to cater for everything from human rights law to commercial and company litigation. One excellent example of this is our placement with the Women's African Association which champions sexual equality throughout the continent.

When it comes to constructing a legal Curriculum Vitae (and one that will make you stand out from the other bright sparks in the crowd) especially at the early stages it is impossible to have too much legal experience. Whether you are a pre or post university gap year student of law or are considering a law conversion course having studied something else or are looking at other options, this placement makes an impressive addition to your CV. Hands-on experience in a legal environment is imperative to prove that you are serious about law or if you want to sample it as a possible career move in the future.

"I was asked to write a comparative essay on a topic of Ghanaian law and how it contrasted with Scottish Law. Mr Laryea (my Ghanaian supervisor) found this really interesting. I also helped them in a practical 'hands-on' way as well, for day to day tasks....I went with very little expectations, and was still blown away at how different it was! I'll never be able to explain it, you have to do it for yourself."

■ Kirsty Gourlay, Ghana

"I guess I expected an Africa that you see on the TV. Once you get there you find everyone is as individual as in the west, but so much more open to ideas, and you begin to see your own way of seeing things as narrow. Once you have an open mind, everything fits into place."

■ Anne-Marie Wortley, Ghana

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