



Ministry  
of Defence



## DESG UNDERGRADUATE SPONSORSHIP SCHEME

### FACT SHEET

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### Eligibility:

To apply for DESG Sponsorship you must:

- Be British or have dual-nationality of which one is British
- Be studying for an approved engineering or science degree at a University in the UK.
- Be in your 1st or 2nd year of a three year degree course or your 1st, 2nd or 3rd year of a four year degree course and on track to achieve a 2:2 degree or better.
- Be available to undertake work placements in a variety of locations in the UK during your summer holidays.

#### Approved areas of degree study:

- Naval Architecture,
- Ship Science
- Systems Engineering
- Electrical or Electronic Engineering (for the full range of degrees in this area, please see the CS Jobs advert- as the list is very extensive)
- Nuclear
- Nuclear Engineering

All degrees must be accredited by a Professional Institution licensed by the UK Engineering or Science Councils.

#### Closing date:

For the closing date for this campaign and for details of how to apply please consult the CS Jobs advert for DESG Sponsorship.

- [DESG Sponsorship Scheme](#) (closes 9 Jan 2017)
- Further campaigns may follow depending on our requirements.

## OVERVIEW OF SPONSORSHIP SCHEME

### Introduction:

- Bursary of £3,000 pa while you study.
- Paid summer employment within MOD establishments, competitive salary paid pro rata (annual review in August each year).

The aim of the DESG Student Sponsorship Scheme is to help you explore the exciting variety of career possibilities within Ministry of Defence whilst gaining valuable work experience during your summer holidays. There is a commitment to work for MoD on graduation and for a minimum of 3 years.

### Summer Work Placements:

During the summer you will be expected to work for ten weeks at a MoD establishment. Work placements are designed to give you experience of MoD Civil Service that will be of value to your future career and to your development as an engineer or scientist. Unlike some work experience schemes that involve 'shadowing' another employee, you can expect challenging project work that makes a real difference to the team you are working in.

MoD has establishments throughout the UK and you are free to seek placements at any establishment that employs engineers and scientists. Please note that you will be responsible for your own accommodation and travel to work arrangements.

### Mentoring:

On entry to the Student Sponsorship Scheme you will be assigned a mentor who is a professional engineer or scientists working within MoD. Their role will be to help you select summer placements and to offer you advice on professional development issues or MoD career opportunities.

## HOW TO APPLY

1. Check that you meet our eligibility criteria.
2. Download the Tutor Reference Form from the CS JOBS advert and ask your Academic Tutor to complete and return it to us.
3. Follow the link from DESG CS Jobs advert to our online application form and sift exercise.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### 1. Can you give me a quick summary of the DESG sponsorship scheme?

We have summarised the scheme here.

	Sponsorship Scheme
<b>Bursary?</b>	£3,000 pa
<b>Paid summer employment?</b>	Yes, at a variety of MoD establishments
<b>Commitment on graduation?</b>	Yes. Some or all of your bursary may be repayable if you fail to provide three years' return of service
<b>Additional development opportunities?</b>	None
<b>Additional pay?</b>	None

### 2. Are MoD summer placements mandatory and what sort of work will I be given during summer work placements?

Yes. If you do not partake in MoD based summer placements your sponsorship will be terminated and you will be required to refund bursary payments to date.

We expect that your work placements will provide challenging project work that is of real value to the team that you are working with. Each placement is intended to satisfy learning objectives in a series of modules, including research, design, manufacturing and production, equipment support, design services etc.

### 3. Where am I likely to work during summer work placements?

Placements are available around the UK but the majority are in the South of England with the MoD's Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S) organisation based in Bristol.

**7. How many places are you offering on the DTUS?**

Our demand varies according to degree discipline and year of graduation. This is likely to be between 5 and 10 places each year.