

Guide for universities looking for placements in Occupational Health

Purpose:

This guide supports university undergraduate medicine, nursing, and AHP programs in obtaining placements within Occupational Health (OH).

Providing students with the opportunity to experience Occupational Health offers them insight into the relationship between work and health. This is exceptionally important for the UK economy, organisational health and of course the health of the working population. It also supports an awareness of OH as a career.

This article provides great insight from a student's perspective:- B Alam, June 2025

What support is available:

To support the university's search for appropriate partners, the National School of Occupational Health (NSOH) have created an adjustable flyer. This enables the university to mould the flyer to reflect the criteria needed for their needs, whilst including the marketing resources we have already compiled. Areas for change are marked in yellow.

Once ready, the flyer can be sent to NSOH, who will share it with their large network and relevant social media. Your locality will be targeted, and OH departments will be encouraged to get in contact.

To support OH departments, alongside yourselves, a toolkit for placements has been produced and is shared within the <u>SOM website careers page</u> and <u>NSOH website training and education page</u>.

What's Included: NSOH SOM placement toolkit overview (Guide)

- 1. Example Student Induction Document (Northamptonshire)
- 2. Template student objectives (University of Manchester)
- 3. Sample digital weekly planner
- 4. Example of a placement learning contract (University of Derby)
- 5. Timetable example (Newcastle NHS OHS)
- 6. Sample HEI partnership learning agreement (University of Derby)
- 7. SOM NSOH OH placement workbook
- 8. How we did it: Newcastle OHS
- 9. Confidentiality NDA shadow placement agreement template

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