

PLACED ACADEMY ALUMNI UPDATE



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In January 2024, we launched the Alumni Programme for Academy graduates as they embark on the next stage of their professional development. Working closely with PLACED Academy Partners and Sponsors, PLACED Academy Alumni offers a cohesive, tailored programme of support for Academy graduates preparing to apply for higher education, university and the world of work. It builds on relationships with the cohort; we know them and can offer opportunities that best support them as individuals.

THE PROGRAMME INCLUDES:



WORK EXPERIENCE Year-round work experience opportunities across the built environment.



MENTORSHIP Six 1-1 mentoring sessions from an industry professional.



DESIGN COMPETITION Annual design competition to support portfolio, network with industry professionals and win prizes.



WORKSHOPS Regular workshops to continue professional development.



EVENTS Exclusive access to a range of events and talks.

“THE ALUMNI PROGRAMME HAS PROVIDED ME WITH MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP MY KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND HAS REINFORCED MY PASSION FOR PURSUING ARCHITECTURE IN THE FUTURE.”

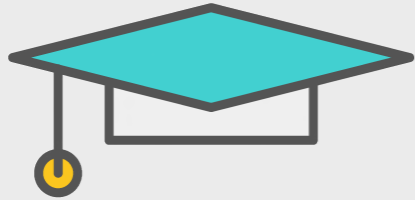
JAS, PLACED ACADEMY ALUMNI MEMBER

DELIVERING AGAINST TARGETS:

We have over-achieved on the key performance indicators we put in place when we established the programme in late 2023 as follows:

ALUMNI SIGNED UP:

Target: 40 / Achieved: 76



WORK PLACEMENTS

Target: 10 / Achieved: 16



MENTORSHIP MATCHES

Target: 5 / Achieved: 14



EVENT DELIVERY

Target: 3 / Achieved: 5



Our ability to over-deliver against these targets in the first 12 months demonstrates the need for the programme and the value that those who are part of the programme – whether young people or our professional network – are getting.

We expect the Alumni cohort will increase by 25% with new graduates by April 2025, meaning we need to provide more opportunities for our growing community of future professionals.

2025 DEVELOPMENTS:

YOUTH BOARD

We plan to establish a PLACED Academy Alumni Youth Board, which will strive to include authentic opportunities to shape our work and aim to develop the leadership skills of members.



TRAVEL BURSARY

An Alumni Travel Bursary will encourage a research field trip that advances knowledge in the field of architecture. The successful Alumni will present their research following the trip, allowing for shared, peer-to-peer learning.



GETTING INVOLVED

We're always looking for collaborators to support the PLACED Academy Alumni. If you would like to find out more about how you can provide any of the opportunities below to support the next generation of built environment professionals, then please email: matt@placed.org.uk

WORK EXPERIENCE



SITE VISITS



BUILDING TOURS



EVENTS, TALKS & NETWORKING



THANK YOU

We have been overwhelmed by the level of support and engagement for the PLACED Academy Alumni programme. 25 companies have supported one or more initiatives within the Alumni programme so far. This support ranges from work placements and mentorship to free workshop spaces and offering prizes as part of the

design competition. We are excited to continue to grow the Alumni programme, enabling young people to gain a unique insight and experience, ensuring they have a better understanding of the built environment sector. Your time, sponsorship, knowledge and advocacy are invaluable, and you are helping us to make a genuine difference.

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**“ IN THE PAST WE’VE
FOCUSED ON HAVING
OUR {WORK EXPERIENCE}
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REDESIGN THEIR HOUSES,
BUT AFTER THE SUCCESS
OF THE PLACED ACADEMY
ALUMNI PLACEMENT, WE
DECIDED TO SET A MORE
AMBITIOUS SCOPE.”**

**BEN GREEN, JOHN MCCALL ARCHITECT
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