

Q&A: Increasing Payment for Over 21s in Teaching Internships Programme – Interns

Q1: What is the payment being increased to for interns over 21?

A: The payment for interns 21 and over will be £400 a week (if the intern participates for the full week), £80 for each day and a maximum of £1,200 over the 3 weeks (if the intern attends and participates for the full 15 days of the programme).

Q2: What if I am under 21?

A: If you are under the age of 21 whilst on the internship, you will receive up to £300 a week for participating. This £300 is based on you attending each day, Monday to Friday with a total of £900 if you attend the school every day over the 3 weeks.

Q3: If I am paid the higher rate, will I be expected to spend more hours at the school?

A: All interns are expected to attend school for no more than 35 hours per week. The dates, start times and finish times will be decided and communicated to you by your school.

You are welcome to spend extra time in the school to observe extra-curricular activities, however this would be on a voluntary basis and is not mandatory.

Q4: How can interns provide feedback or express concerns about the payment increase?

A: Interns can feedback to their school. During the internship programme, a survey will be sent to you which will also give the opportunity for you to feedback to the Department for Education.

Q7: Will there be any changes to other aspects of the programme as a result of the payment increase?

A: The internship will still be a 3-week paid experience in school and there will be no changes to your experience as a result of the different payments for interns.