

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE BY
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 20th OCTOBER 2009**

Question

“Would the Minister advise –

- (a) how many students applied for a place on the Summer student internship scheme;
- (b) how many of these were successful;
- (c) how many successful applicants were from Hautlieu, Jersey College for Girls, Victoria College, De La Salle, Beaulieu, Highlands, Le Rocquier, Haute Vallée, Les Quennevais and Grainville;
- (d) whether selection is purely down to the employers or is this impacted to any degree by who sends out the students’ CVs?”

Answer

The internship scheme is for current undergraduate students and is run by the Economic Development Department. Students can apply by sending in their CV’s.

- a) 149 students applied for the scheme.
- b) 21 students subsequently withdrew their applications because they found employment through other means.
- c) 80 students were successful in gaining internships, representing 63% of students who applied.
- d) As students are currently in higher education, no record is kept of their place of secondary education.
- e) Recruitment decisions rest with the employers, following an initial short listing of candidates by Jersey Enterprise. This short listing is based on the following criteria:
 - the dates students are available to work;
 - placement duration as set out by employer;
 - skills and experience required as set out on the registration form;
 - the students’ skills, interests and experience as stated on their CVs and application forms.

From this shortlist, employers interview and select the student they wish to recruit.

In some instances, where a student has made a direct approach, employers have selected independently.