

Virtual Global Work Attachment Programme Sharing *by Joyce Chan*

During this summer holiday, I have joined the Virtual Global Work Attachment Programme 2021 (GWAP 2021) and worked for a German start-up company called Bella&Bona, which is also a warm and friendly family.



During these two months, my main task was to collect the information of about 150 companies in German cities per week and the personal contact methods of employees from the HR department. Moreover, I needed to highlight the above companies which force employees to work at the company and do not provide lunch to them under Covid-19. Those people may probably become the potential customers of Bella&Bona. In addition, I worked with Kiki, who also joined the GWAP and worked at Bella&Bona, to look for the Asian suppliers who are selling sauce cups with cheap prices and high quality. It may help Bella & Bona reduce its operation cost.

I am so glad that I could work in Bella&Bona for my first internship. Compared with Hong Kong, people in Germany are so nice. They always care about your feelings and ask about your opinions during work. Besides working, they sometimes organize some coffee time or events for employees. People could share their daily life and chat with others.

With the advanced technology, I believe that work-from-home will become more and more popular in the future. Joining this program could definitely help me familiarize with this kind of working model. Therefore, I could apply to work in some

international companies which provide virtual working. That will also become my advantage.

My most memorable moment during this internship was when my supervisors were willing to adjust their plans based on our internship students' opinions. At the beginning, each internship student was assigned to work in three departments. We had to allocate our time to finish different tasks per week, which made us tired and stressed. We talked about this problem to our mentor, Carlo. He reported it to other supervisors and they finally decided that each internship student can only focus on one department. It has really impressed me a lot because although we were only internship students and worked in the company temporarily, our supervisors also cared about our feelings and would like to help us solve our problems.



During this internship, I have found my weaknesses. I am not good at allocating my time to finish several tasks. To improve it, I sought help from my supervisor and she told me that I may make the timetable based on the deadline and priority of the task. This skill not only benefits me in this internship, but will also help me a lot in my study and other jobs.

After graduation, I want to work in e-business or digital marketing related fields. This valuable internship experience helps me know how difficult an e-business runs online

and how to promote itself on the Internet. I truly believe that this kind of experience will help me pursue my ideal career in the future.

If you are interested in this programme, please feel free to join us! The application period may be around January. You can also click this link to gain more information.
<https://www.cityu.edu.hk/clc/GWAP/general/introduction/>

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