

Student stories: Mentoring

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On starting my degree, I found myself at the crossroads: should I pursue a career as a legal practitioner or as an in-house lawyer? When I received an email from the PLN, I immediately signed up for the International Law Mentoring Scheme.

I was matched with an exceptional mentor who I learnt a lot from. It is heart-warming to see reputable figures in the industry willing to invest their time and effort to share their knowledge and experience.

Since my mentor was a University of Bristol Alumni, and Malaysian, it was easy to talk about the subjects, CV and cover letters, job interviews, and career-related questions. Through our discussions, I acquired a wider understanding of the professional world, gained practical insight into different roles and sectors in the legal arena and acquired new employability skills. It also gave me a sense of purpose and clarity in relation to my future career.

Overall, it was a rewarding experience that I would recommend to every student. It is not just about getting career advice, but about identifying and discovering your potential, strengths and interests, and creating a plan to develop them.



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