



A step-change in quantitative social science skills

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Q-Step Summer Project 2017: BBC North West

Ref: #15 UoMQStep 2017 BBC North West Tonight

Team/Department: North West Tonight

Address: Quay House, Media City UK, Salford, M50 2QH

Provisional Title for Project: "Regional News"

100 word abstract of what the project would probably undertake, and any data to be used:

BBC North West is looking for an intern to work on a data-driven, news-related issue. In the past we have interrogated data as diverse as ambulance waiting times, pollution monitoring in Greater Manchester and parish council tax increases. The subject of this investigation will depend on the preferred candidate's interests and the news agenda of summer 2017. The intern will be expected however to undertake data analysis and the exact scope of this will be confirmed at the start of the internship

Key Words (up to 12): Newsworthy, Relevant, North West, Current, Revealing

Essential and desirable skills that the student would need to have:

Essential: Self-motivated Good communication skills Ability to analyse data





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Desirable: Good knowledge of news landscape

Preferred selection method: Interview

Support and training offered by the organisation:

Production and Safety training. Introduction to newsroom roles.

Any issues of data confidentiality and/or IPR that would need to be resolved:

We would ask that the successful candidate signs a confidentiality agreement.

Supporting Information: N/A

Financial assistance offered by the organisation:

Parking costs would be covered on site if necessary.