

UBS Horizons FAQ's

UBS Graduates EMEA

1. Who is eligible for the program?

The program is open to anyone graduating in 2019. We welcome applications from students from all degree disciplines.

2. Can I apply to Insights and Horizons?

If you are graduating in 2019 from a European university, you can apply for the UBS Insights Week only. If you apply to UBS Horizons you will automatically be considered for a place on our UBS Insights Week. Simply apply online and select the program(s) for which you would like to be considered.

3. Can I choose the country I visit?

Yes.

4. What countries can I choose from?

Borneo, Tanzania and Costa Rica.

5. Can I choose the project?

You can choose between an environmentally or a community-oriented project. This means you might find yourself living as part of a remote community, building eco lodges, laying water pipes or constructing a new suspension bridge. Alternatively you could be researching rainforest biodiversity or helping preserve local habitat alongside resident scientists.

6. Am I guaranteed an internship?

Yes. If you win a spot on our UBS Horizons program you are guaranteed a place on our nine-week summer internship the following year.

7. Can I choose the department for the internship?

You can specify your top two choices of business area for your internship. You do not need to decide during the initial application phase. You will have the opportunity to work-shadow in advance of your internship in order to help you decide.

8. How long is the Raleigh expedition?

Five weeks (four weeks on a project followed by a one-week adventure phase). This could involve raft building, trekking through rainforest and competitive survival activities.

9. Is the program open to applicants interested in all areas of UBS?

Yes.

10. Is everything paid for in advance?

Yes – all aspects of the trip are paid for, including flight and any necessary vaccinations. Participants are also given money to buy any required equipment.

11. Do I need to know any foreign languages?

No.

12. Will my group consist only of people from UBS?

No. Your expedition will contain a mix of people from different backgrounds, educational paths and nationalities.

13. Are any UBS staff involved?

There is a UBS mentor allocated to each participant (often someone who has done a Raleigh expedition him/herself). There is also constant contact between UBS HR and the participant.

14. What is the application process?

Applicants need to submit an online application at www.ubs.com/horizons. This is a short form which asks for information regarding your education and qualifications. You are also required to answer three open-ended questions about your motivation for applying to the program and UBS. After initial screening, successful candidates will be asked to submit a short essay. The final stage is a half-day assessment at UBS in London. This will consist of a numerical test, a presentation exercise, a competency and commercial based interviews and a group exercise.

15. When do applications close?

The deadline to submit the initial application is midnight on Saturday, 31st December 2016. You will be able to do the online assessment after this date, however.