

Name: Liam O'Neill, 4th Year BBA Management

Placement Partner Organisation:

Allianz Ireland



Job Description:

My job title was 'Underwriting Intern'. This involved liaising with both clients and brokers in the process of risk pooling, risk selection and the assessment of individual risks.

What I Did:

Start Date: August 2018 **End date:** August 2019

I worked closely with a number of teams in the department including; Portfolio Underwriting, Risk Survey, Re-Insurance, Pricing Analytics and U/W Assurance. In addition to working on a number of projects, my main responsibilities included:

- Compiling the 'Risk Improvement Programmes' that were issued to clients
- Daily screening of new policies for previous claims in an attempt to reduce fraud
- Preparing a monthly report assessing the flood risk of commercial properties up for renewal

Allianz had a very inclusive, relaxed and flexible work environment. There were multiple staff events (Oktoberfest & Christmas Party) and I was also a member of the company's football team.

Learning Outcomes:

- **Communication and Teamwork:** These soft-skills greatly improved over the year as a result of working with so many different teams and through dealing with brokers and clients.
- **Insurance Institute Exam:** Allianz sponsored me to complete the first exam of the Certified Insurance Practitioner (CIP) diploma. This gave me a great insight into the world of insurance.
- **Microsoft Excel:** Over the course of the year I became proficient in Excel- a very important skill in the modern workplace

Although Allianz don't offer a graduate programme I feel as though - through both the skills I've learned and connections I've made - that if I want to return to the insurance industry, there would be plenty of opportunities for me.

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