Graduate Local  
Employment Scheme

**Eagles** is a unique scheme targeting graduates from East London who are interested in a career in **Corporate Social Responsibility** (CSR)

Three weeks of intensive training at ELBA is followed by a six-month, paid work placement as an intern with a prestigious company in the City or Canary Wharf. This experience results in the graduates becoming highly employable. Since 2005, **96%** of those who completed the scheme have gone on to find permanent employment.

As a flagship social mobility programme for ELBA, a charity which aims to tackle social deprivation, the benefits of Eagles are two-way; whilst the interns become highly employable, the employers gain a skilled, job-ready trainee who, in addition, can help to inform their local recruitment strategies.



“Taking part in Eagles has given me   
the chance to work for a top corporate firm. Thanks to the programme, I’ve become a representative of my community and can now act as a role model for young Bengali girls. I’m proud to play my part in raising the aspirations of many young people in Tower Hamlets.”

Dilwara Khatun

Placed at Credit Suisse in 2005, still working for   
Credit Suisse as a Business Analyst

How Eagles works  
for graduates

Why choose an   
Eagles internship?

If you’ve lived in east London or an inner London borough for at least ten years and have or expect to get a good degree, then an Eagles internship could be for you. You’ll gain skills, knowledge and experience in the sector of your choice, first in training and then on placement.

We run a number of different programmes covering sectors including financial services, corporate social responsibility and property management, all of which act as an excellent first step in your professional career.

Our training programme, valued at over £2,000, is assisted by several prestigious partners: the National Theatre, who deliver Personal Impact and Presentation Skills training; Pitmans, who deliver Business English, Outlook and Excel training; and Ashridge School of Business, who host us for a residential course on Project Management at Ashridge House.

How Eagles works   
for companies

“Eagles is a unique and innovative programme which genuinely meets the needs of local unemployed graduates, as well as corporate institutions across   
a range of sectors”.

Anthony Harte

Community Engagement,   
Bank of America Merrill Lynch

Why choose an   
Eagles intern?

* By the time Eagles interns come to you, they’ve had training in your sector and have picked up a wide range of employability skills. They’ll quickly become a valuable addition to your team.
* All the interns are from east London, or an inner city borough, which provides you with a unique insight into the local community, as well as supporting the case for local recruitment.
* The scheme gives excellent value for money: the interns are on ELBA’s headcount not yours. And it’s highly unlikely you’ll find an agency worker with the same specialist knowledge at such a competitive rate.



If you are interested in participating in Eagles, or for more information, contact **Sally Roberts**, tel. 07980610010 or by email at [sally.roberts@elba-1.org.uk](mailto:sally.roberts@elba-1.org.uk)

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