



The Learn Foundations project hired 10 ‘student helper’ interns this summer.

These interns spent 35 hours a week of their summer working in Argyle House to improve the Learn experience for the entire student body moving into the 2020/21 academic year. These interns took up the bold task of improving the University’s Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) – they are now Learn experts, and copy-pasting wizards!

Over 80% of academic courses at Edinburgh use our VLE, Learn – that’s over 4500 courses.

With such a wide array of courses, there has also been a wide array of how Learn pages have been set up. Students understandably found this frustrating! The Learn Foundations Project spent this summer working with six Schools and a Deanery to create and implement a universal Learn template to make navigating the VLE a breeze. These interns also worked on mapping out some older Learn courses, finding common opportunities for improvement in the design of Learn courses for the future, as well as doing an accessibility audit to make sure that the University is functional for all.

We, the Learn Foundations Intern team, consist of a diverse group of students, each person with a different personalities and characteristics.

Every day you will find us supporting and motivating each other to get tasks done. We have built a strong network and cannot imagine going through this fantastic experience of working for the ISG this summer without having each other!

