

# Hassans

International Law Firm Limited

## YR 12 SUMMER PROGRAMME 2024





# What does the Summer Programme involve?

Our Year 12 Summer Student Programme is a great way to get an insight into what life is really like at Hassans.

During the Programme, you will work with Associates and Partners, taking on real work for real clients to get a better understanding of what being a lawyer involves. As part your placement you will:

- get hands-on experience within some of our practice areas; drafting contracts, attending meetings with clients or Partners, carrying out research, talks from Partners, or attending court proceedings
- have the opportunity to take part in a debate, where you will be able to display your research, writing and advocacy skills in front of our debate panel
- be able to network with fee earners at all levels and ask the kind of questions that will help you decide if legal practice and Hassans are the right path for you.

The social element of our Year 12 Summer Programme includes outings with trainees, Associates, and Partners, speed networking sessions as well as an informal lunch hosted at Hassans.

This unique experience will allow you plenty of opportunity to showcase your qualities and talents and to get to know us, and we will have the opportunity to assess whether you would be a good future candidate for the Firm.



# What are we looking for?

- **Who is eligible to apply?**

You are eligible to apply to the Year 12 Summer Student Programme if you are currently a year 12 student and have an interest in pursuing a career path in law.

- **How to apply.**

We require you to answer the following two questions and would like to see an application that is uniquely tailored to Hassans. Research comprehensively and find out what sets us apart from other law firms. Use the 'Supporting Information' section of the online application form to answer Question 1.

## **Question 1:**

In 500 words, please describe how you would benefit from undertaking the Year 12 Summer Student Programme at Hassans. At the end of the answer please state your completed GCSE subjects and results.

## **Question 2:**

Please select one of the following essay titles and answer it in no more than 800 words:

- "Freedom of Speech is the most fundamental Human Right." Discuss.
- Should juveniles be tried and treated as adults?
- What role does the legal sector have in promoting equality?
- Why is Gibraltar an attractive jurisdiction for financial services?
- The biggest challenge facing legal profession today is Artificial Intelligence." Discuss.
- In your view, what are the biggest challenges facing the legal profession today?

Please upload your response to **Question 2** in the section asking for CV uploads.

The best applications we receive are well written and free from grammatical errors and spelling mistakes, so do make sure that you check your application responses before submitting these.

# What funding is provided?

To help cover your expenses while attending the Year 12 Summer Student Programme, we will pay you £200 for the week. We do not provide any additional financial support for travel expenses or accommodation. The Year 12 Summer Student Programme participants will be exempt from paying tax and social insurance contributions on their placement funding if they can provide confirmation from their school that they will continue to be in full-time education from September 2024.

# Benefits from undertaking this placement?

This unique programme is a fantastic opportunity to add something impressive and exclusive to your UCAS personal statement. It will also provide you with some guidance as to whether you would like to pursue a career in law or not.

It will not only give you exposure to working in the largest law firm in Gibraltar but will also give you an opportunity to ask any burning questions you may have about the profession and working at Hassans. You will have the opportunity to network within the firm as you will be working with other students from different schools, Partners, Associates and trainees.

Above all, it will be a fun and insightful week! A stepping stone to a future career at Gibraltar's leading law firm!



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