**Role title:** Animation Producer

**Organisation name:** Barnet Refugee Service

**Duration of placement:** 6 hours for 6 weeks

**Start date:** 26th October 2020 (approximately, specific days and hours to be organised with organisation upon offer of the role)

**End date:** 30th November 2020 (dependant on the start date)

**Location:** Working from Home / attending Youth sessions in person if possible

**Interview date(s):** 15th, 19th, 20th October

**Placement Times:** 6 hours a week to be arranged with placement supervisor

**Pay rate:** £10.75 per hour (London Living Wage)

**This job is part of the Middlesex University Students’ Union’s Community Placement Scheme and is only available to current students of Middlesex University. The scheme has been established to ensure students are paid London Living Wage (£10.75) to put your studies or interests to use practically on placements whilst helping the local community. The scheme is designed to boost student employability and increase collaboration within Barnet and beyond.**

**We would recommend visiting** [**www.mdxsu.com/community-placements**](http://www.mdxsu.com/community-placements) **before submitting any applications.**

**About Barnet Refugee Service**
BRS aims to preserve and protect the physical and mental health of those who are seeking asylum or who are granted refugee status, to advance their education and training opportunities, to assist them in adapting to a new community, to relieve their financial hardship, to provide recreation and leisure activities, to improve their living standards and to educate the public in general about issues relating to refugees and those seeking asylum.

If you would like to find more information please visit our website at [www.b-r-s.org.uk](http://www.b-r-s.org.uk/) or contact our Operations Manager at 0208 905 9002.

**About the role**
In this role you will be able to use creative tools to have a positive impact on vulnerable people, supporting and developing a specific animation project that describes the organisation’s vision and services regarding their Youth Work. You will be required to work with the Youth Team (comprised of staff and volunteers) to identify key messaging required for the animation, creating an animation based on your encounters with the young people. You will work alongside the Youth Team to ensure that the style of animation is representative of Barnet Refugee Service. You will also be required to offer some workshops with young people about the basics of animation and video making.

This opportunity will help you to develop an understanding of the specific issues facing refugees and asylum seekers in the UK and give you an opportunity to contribute to making them feel welcome in Barnet.

**Skills and experience**

Essential

* Ability to work effectively under pressure and to tight deadlines
* Cultural awareness, understanding, and respect and empathy for different cultural backgrounds
* Strong organisational skills and the ability to prioritise and plan a workload effectively
* Creative and resourceful
* Specific experience with animation software
* Studying or proficient in Animation or Games and Visual Effects
* Good communication and listening skills
* Ability to attend/ provide some youth sessions
* A portfolio to send to communitypartnerships@mdxsu.com

Desirable

* Experience with and/or empathy for refugees and their specific issues
* Ability to speak another language (specifically Farsi, Arabic, Pashto)

**How to apply**
**Please note the deadline for this application is 1st October 11.59pm. Please answer the following questions in your cover letter and upload to Unitemps (300 words max per question). Please send your portfolio to** **communitypartnerships@mdxsu.com****:**

1. What interests you about this opportunity?

2. Why are you the perfect candidate for this placement?

3. What would you hope to achieve through the placement?

4. Are you currently a student at Middlesex University? If so, what course and year of study are you undertaking?

5. Do you have any convictions, cautions, reprimands, or final warnings we should take into account when applying for a DBS check?

6. Do you have any access requirements or needs that we should be aware of when considering your application and inviting you to interview?

Candidates will be shortlisted based on cover letter and CV.

**Further Information**

We will be completing the shortlisting process as soon as possible following the closing date, and aim to let you know as soon as we can. Please note however that due to the number of applications that the students’ union receives for placement opportunities, we are unable to offer personal feedback on applications. If you are invited to interview, you will receive any interview feedback prior to this. If you need any additional information or if you would like to speak to someone about your application please contact the Community Partnerships Coordinator, Sally Bernard, at s.bernard@mdx.ac.uk or 020 84115009.