



ABSW internships policy

The ABSW does not promote unpaid internships as we believe that by asking people to work without pay, employers exclude those who cannot afford to work for free. Unpaid internships may also be in breach of UK employment law where 'workers' are entitled to the minimum wage. UK Government advice on employment rights and pay for interns [can be found here](#).

The ABSW also does not promote unpaid 'writing opportunities' believing them to devalue the professionalism of science writers and lead to a culture where working for free is expected of those seeking employment or freelance work as a science writer/journalist.