Digital literacies for student employability: Spotlight on work placements
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Digitally Ready

- Part of the JISC Developing Digital Literacies Programme
- Project to help prepare staff and students at the University to live, learn and work in a digital world
- Digitally Ready for the Future: student employability

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A critical, informed expert user of digital technologies who has an awareness of the issues surrounding the use of those technologies, and a commitment to life-long learning.

**Practices** informed by knowledge of the most out of digital technologies

**Skills** to use relevant digital technologies

**Access** to relevant digital technologies

*Developing Effective e-Learning: the development pyramid* (Beetham and Sharpe, 2008)
Digital literacies and work placements

Access

Skills

Practices

Reflection

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Opportunities to practice digital skills in a ‘real world’ context

Opportunities to develop expertise in using relevant digital technologies

Opportunities to experience and explore relevant digital technologies
Digital literacies for student employability

- The need to raise awareness of the importance of digital literacies for student employability
- The need for placement tutors and students to understand the importance of reflection
- The need to develop assessment criteria for in-curricular placements