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## Transcript for "Edinburgh life: careers and employability" video

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| <b>Alina Sinelnyk</b>   | I believe the Careers Service is perhaps one of the most helpful departments at the University of Edinburgh.  |
| <b>Briana Pegado</b>    | It's a service that's provided for you by the University. There are so many opportunities you have here that I think students should take advantage of.   |
| <b>Maggie Sloan</b>     | As well, the Careers Services provides lots of information about writing good CVs. I know I'm constantly on their web page looking at kind of how they describe graduate attributes and selling yourself to make yourself more employable.  |
| <b>Caitlin Stronach</b> | Undeniably, applying for an internship has been one of the hardest things of my university career. I think there's such a rigorous application process these days and in order to ensure that you get one, you really do need to apply to so many, which I did.<br>I applied to some in banking, some in accountancy. Fortunately, I got offered one within the Audit department at Ernst and Young in the Edinburgh Office. So, that required, I think, an online application two interviews and an assessment centre, but I made it through that and I was very delighted. I ended up working six weeks in Edinburgh, four weeks in Boston and then I also got a week of training in New York. I worked very hard during third year trying to get it but it paid off undoubtedly. |
| <b>Maggie Sloan</b>     | Being part the University, I've had the opportunity to volunteer in quite a few different settings.   |
| <b>Tim Pemberton</b>    | Edinburgh has a team of people to help with your volunteering. There's a wide range of opportunities to do whatever you want to, whether they're going to a beach clean-up or help with a nature walk, painting a homeless shelter, each week is something new. By doing volunteering it's a really good way of meeting new people and getting to know the community a bit better.  |
| <b>Maggie Sloan</b>     | I think personally it is very important; it really does help you build those skills that you're maybe not able to build in the classroom or through your coursework.  |
| <b>Caitlin Stronach</b> | Anything extra that you can get through your university career to make you stand out is invaluable. Academic studies are really, really important, because they look for a candidate that does well, but I think when it comes to the crunch you really need to have that extra sparkle to make you stand out and studying at Edinburgh has provided me with endless opportunities to do that.  |
| <b>Narrator</b>         | The University of Edinburgh. Imagine what you could do.   |

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