

# Inis Meáin

Placement Programme

2024

### A PAID INTERNSHIP WITH INIS MEÁIN

Inis Meáin is a dynamic knitwear company on the Aran Islands in the West of Ireland.

Quotations:

"Inis Meáin harnesses the rich tradition of weaving and knitting found in the Aran Islands, but modernizes it with new techniques and design"

- Barneys, New York 2017

"An international beacon of knitted design and simple luxury, the Inis Meáin Knitting Company sits perched near the edge of Europe"

– White Line Hotels, 2017

"Where is Inis Meáin anyway? Inis Meáin knits are widely regarded as being some of the finest in the world... Not bad for an island that's barely even a speck on the map"

- A Continuous Lean, 2014



#### THE INTERNSHIP

Over the past 17 years we have hosted students from the Niederrhein Hochschule in Monchengladbach in Germany, The University of Ulster in Belfast and The Limerick School of Art & Design.

Internships can be for 6 months or 12 months. Our internships are about offering students an introduction to all aspects of the knitwear industry. The following is a list of work where interns are involved:

- <u>Design Meetings</u> to decide new yarns and colours for each A/W and S/S season.
- Offering ideas for new collections each season, including presenting sketches, new stitches and designs etc. for evaluation and possible inclusion in the collection.
- <u>Styling</u> of outfits for photo shoot of collection and assistance with fittings of prototypes.
- Preparation of marketing materials
- <u>Making</u>: Inis Meáin is all about skilled production of highly intricate pieces of knitwear not often tackled by regular knitwear manufacturers. We are very proud of our skilled finishing team.



#### <u>6 MONTH INTERNSHIP</u>

Interns on 6-month internship will become part of the finishing team, examining, hand finishing, tacking, labelling and pressing garments before dispatch to our network of clients around the world which include:

Bergdorf Goodman, Manufactum Germany, Mr. Porter, Matches Fashion, Wako Japan, Isetan Tokyo, Beams Japan and other major global retailers.



## 12 Month Internship

Interns on 12-month internship will get exposure to all of the above as well as assembly of knitted pieces on our linkers and operation of our automatic, electronically controlled knitting machinery.



Other areas where we welcome interns contributions are:

- Photography of final samples,
- Photography of archival garments, landscapes and seascapes for use in presentation.
- Assistance with social media to promote our growing online business.

We invite applicants for both 6-month and 12-month internships in 2024.

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