

12 weeks PIPS project 2026: Science Communication – qualification learning support

Background information

The ABPI exists to make the UK the best place in the world to research, develop and use new medicines. We represent companies of all sizes who invest in discovering the medicines of the future.

Our members supply cutting edge treatments that improve and save the lives of millions of people. We work in partnership with Government and the NHS so patients can get new treatments faster and the NHS can plan how much it spends on medicines. Every day, we partner with organisations in the life sciences community and beyond to transform lives across the UK.

One role undertaken by The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI) is delivery of the professional ABPI Professional Qualification for Industry Personnel ([ABPI My Learning](#)), taken by those who call upon doctors, dentists, and other UK prescribers and/or promote medicines based on their therapeutic properties. This includes representatives from virtually all pharmaceutical companies with UK operations.

Integrity of the Exam is crucial to building and maintaining the trust and reputation of the UK pharmaceutical industry. Equally important is the support provided to provide the best possible learner journey. The ABPI have invested in new content creation software for use in-house and is now transitioning and updating existing learning content.

Project offered

Following on from previous successful PIPS internships for other projects, we are once again, seeking a PIPS student to apply their scientific and project management experience in an examinations and education context.

This 12 week project centres around the student conducting online research, liaising with subject experts or other external stakeholders as appropriate, training on use of in-house software for content creation, and drawing on the student's own creativity and knowledge to update and develop complementary online learning materials to support candidates studying for the ABPI accredited qualifications. The output of the project will be the successful delivery of the newly formatted visual content for use in learning manuals and e-learning to support exam learners on their qualification learning journey.

The applicant will be expected to support the ABPI Education and Examinations Executive will undertake a 'task & finish' project covering exam content development through liaising within the examinations teams and, where appropriate, with internal teams, external providers, subject matter experts and the ABPI Exam Governance Committee and Exam Project Team.

The output of the project should deliver:

- Up to date and enhanced learning and e-learning content created using latest software in-house software and covering the full qualification curriculum to support the learner journey for the ABPI accredited qualifications

The student will be working within the Education & Examinations team and will liaise with colleagues across ABPI and within our member companies as required. Where there are opportunities for attendance at internal meetings or with pharmaceutical site companies, the student will be able to take advantage of these, alongside any other opportunities to build a personal network.

The successful applicant can expect to have a supervisor who would meet regularly for guidance and support.

Timing

The exact timing can be confirmed with the successful applicant, though likely undertaken across Q3 &/ Q4 2026 - negotiable for the right candidate. The project should be completed over the 12-week placement. This is a contract for Monday to Friday 9-5pm, with a one-hour lunch break.

Location

The ABPI have offices at 2nd Floor Goldings House, Hay's Galleria, 2 Hay's Lane, London, SE1 2HB, and currently adopt hybrid working – the exact number of days in the office/working remotely can be negotiable for the right candidate, so do not let location dissuade you from applying.

Benefits to student undertaking this project

This project is a great opportunity to gain and develop science communication experience, with similar projects in the past having provided opportunities to develop contacts which could be helpful to someone considering a future career in industry. The successful applicant can be expected to be treated as a member of the ABPI Education & Examinations Team that sits within the wider Medical Affairs Directorate, and as such, will benefit from professional development, cross functional working, interaction with wider stakeholders and an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the pharmaceutical industry.

Funding

We reimburse modest travel expenses when travelling to the London offices. If during the project you are invited to, and accept, a pharmaceutical site visit, travel expenses and reasonable lunch expenses will be fully reimbursed.

Applications

A CV and covering letter should be sent to Andrew Croydon, Education & Examinations Policy and Partnerships Director, ABPI (acroydon@abpi.org.uk), before **Monday 25th May 2026**. Should you have any questions prior to applying, please do not hesitate to be in contact.