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Teresa Campbell, a Brockport, Theatre major is spending the spring 2013 semester in London, England interning at Stage on Screen through a program with the University of Westminster.

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Hi!

This is Teresa Campbell writing to you from London, England where it is 4 p.m. I got in Saturday morning and have been getting situated in my flat, and becoming familiar with my surroundings and getting used to the "culture shock". I love the city so far! It is orientation week at the University of Westminster, and classes start next week, as well as my internship.

Today, however, I met the other girl I will be interning with, who happens to live in my building. She is a marketing major, and I theatre, so we are complimentary to the company (distributors of theatrical DVDs). It took some time, but we eventually found the building for our internship, Stage on Screen. We met our employers, learned what we will probably be doing, and figured out our schedules, roughly. As of right now, it looks like I will be interning Monday and Tuesday morning, and all day Wednesday. I'm excited to get started! Tomorrow all of us in the internship program have a meeting where we meet each other and learn more about the program.

That's all for now! I will check in again after my first day!

Sincerely,

Teresa Campbell
Stage on Screen Intern

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Today was my first day as an intern for Stage on Screen! Mondays and Tuesdays I am interning from 9:30-1:30 and Wednesdays I am interning all day (9:30-5:30). The other intern happens to live in my hall, so it is nice to have a companion for the commute at the peak of rush hour, as we navigate this vast city. It is also nice to share the office with someone my age. We each have our own desk space—it makes me feel like such a professional!

On this cold and snowy morning, we spent the majority of it doing the same tasks. Though she is a business major and I’m a theatre major (nicely complementary for the company!), right now we are both gradually learning about the company and our responsibilities for the semester. We were reading over press releases and reviews, so we will be able to use them when we reach out to schools and literary in cover letters. I have been researching top U.S. drama schools and drama publications, because my employer wants to branch out to the American market for DVD sales. One of my main goals with this company, as of right now, is to be able to increase sales in the States, through my knowledge of the American education system and how drama programs work.

I also have some things to look forward to with Stage on Screen. Next Monday I will be meeting with a man who works for the company, whom I will be working with as well. He goes to U.K. schools and performs a “play in a day” to students, so I am excited in helping him with this program. My fellow intern, another employer and I might also be attending a higher education/technology conference.

In terms of behaviors, I am observing how British professionals operate in an office setting: how they answer the phone, greet one another, assign tasks, etc. It is all fascinating to me, as I am trying my best to complete my assigned tasks. I am looking forward to my second day tomorrow!

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