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# Trainee programme

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At the European Medicines  
Agency



## **When does the programme start?**

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There are 1-2 traineeship intakes per year (October and April).

Earlier or later start dates are not possible.

Placements are for a period of six months up to a maximum of twelve months.

## **Who can apply?**

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The programme is aimed mainly at young university graduates, without excluding those who — in the framework of lifelong learning — have recently obtained a university diploma and are at the beginning of a new professional career.

Selected trainees must be a national of a Member State of the European Economic Area (the Member States of the European Union plus Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway).

## **How to apply**

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Interested candidates should complete the electronic application form available on the Agency's website under:

About us > Careers > Trainee programme

The form can be submitted using the 'submit by e-mail' button at the top of the form.

Around 40-50 candidates are offered a placement annually. If an application is unsuccessful, a candidate may reapply for a subsequent training period, although it is necessary to re-submit an application.

## **Minimum requirements**

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- Possession of a university degree or equivalent at the time of applying.
- A good command of English plus at least one other official European Union language.

## **What background is required?**

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Successful candidates will usually have a background that is relevant to the activities of the Agency.

Typical examples include:

- pharmacy, medicine, life sciences, healthcare, chemistry;
- information technologies;
- recently qualified lawyers with an interest in pharmaceutical regulatory affairs;
- recently qualified candidates with an interest in human resources, budget or accounts;
- communications, public relations, electronic media or a background in library and information science.

## **Training grant**

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The Agency pays a monthly maintenance grant plus a travel allowance for expenses incurred at the beginning and end of the in-service training.

The full rules are available on the Agency's website under:

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## **European Medicines Agency trainee programme**

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The European Medicines Agency, located in London, operates a trainee programme that provides opportunities for traineeships in all parts of the organisation.

The programme gives trainees an understanding of the Agency and its role within the activities of the European Union (EU).

A traineeship at the Agency is an opportunity to receive professional work experience in a distinctly multi-national and intellectually stimulating environment, while contributing to the Agency's mission of promoting and protecting human and animal health in the EU.



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