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# Tomorrow's Leaders Internship Programme Returns for Third Year

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**INVESTING IN TALENT, SECURING THE FUTURE: TOMORROW'S LEADERS INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME RETURNS FOR THIRD YEAR**

**Tortola, British Virgin Islands - January 19th, 2026 -** The future of the British Virgin Islands' (BVI) financial services industry is being built today as BVI Finance officially announces the return of the Tomorrow's Leaders Internship Programme for its third consecutive year.

Designed to prepare the next generation of British Virgin Islanders, the programme offers tertiary-level students and recent graduates the opportunity to gain hands-on experience at world-class financial services firms operating within the BVI.

The BVI remains one of the world's leading international financial centres, and the Tomorrow's Leaders Internship Programme plays a critical role in ensuring that local talent is equipped to lead and sustain the industry well into the future.

"The Tomorrow's Leaders Internship Programme reflects our commitment to investing in people and building a strong pipeline of local talent for the financial services sector," said Elise Donovan, CEO of BVI Finance. "By providing meaningful exposure, mentorship, and professional development, we are helping to ensure that Virgin Islanders are well-positioned to lead this industry for generations to come."

Now in its third year, the programme has already delivered measurable results, placing 47 Virgin Islanders with more than 20 local financial services firms. Many participants have successfully transitioned into full-time roles, underscoring the programme's effectiveness in bridging education and employment.

"What sets this programme apart is the quality of experience it provides," said Shamahl A. Smith, Programme Lead. "Participants gain direct exposure to the financial services industry, allowing them to build skills, establish professional networks, and explore long-term career opportunities."

**Eligibility**

The Tomorrow's Leaders Internship Programme is open to college and university

students, as well as recent graduates, who are pursuing or have completed studies in disciplines aligned with the financial services industry. Eligible fields of study include accounting, banking, compliance, international relations, financial technology (FinTech), economics, law, marketing and communications, insurance, and other related areas. Applicants must demonstrate a strong interest in the financial services sector and a commitment to professional growth within the British Virgin Islands.

**Applications Now Open**

Applications open on Monday, January 19, and close on Monday, February 16. The internship will run from May to September 2026.

**Applicants must submit:**

- A completed programme application form
- A cover letter
- An updated résumé

**Programme Benefits Include:**

- Hands-on, practical experience
- One-on-one mentorship
- Professional skill development
- Networking with industry leaders
- Exposure to the financial services industry
- Potential future employment opportunities

Click here to apply.

For more information about the programme, email internship@bvifinance.vg or call 1-284-852-1957.

**About BVI Finance**

BVI Finance is responsible for protecting and promoting the BVI's financial services industry. The BVI is renowned as a leading international business and finance centre, offering a robust legal framework, a stable and business-friendly environment, and a strong reputation for regulatory compliance. With its strategic expertise in wealth management, corporate services, trusts, fund administration and digital assets, the BVI continues to attract global businesses, investors and financial professionals to use its products and services.

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