

Welcome to KPMG London

Welcome to KPMG London Hi, I'm Olivia but I prefer Ollie ...



...and I work within our Strategy team as an Analyst. I joined the grad programme in September 2019 and since then I've worked on projects in health and life sciences, pricing and consumer goods and retail. The best part of the graduate scheme has been getting to know people. Our team is very sociable and we like to come into the office together and often go for a drink on Thursdays.

This is my guide to our London office and where we're based. I look forward to meeting later in the year!

Ollie

Getting to know the London Office

Where we are

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About us

Based in the heart of Canary Wharf, 15 Canada Square (CSQ) is home to all our 7,300 London staff.

The office provides high-quality facilities for our people and visitors. It enables colleagues from different parts of the business to work more closely together and is a flagship example of a 'green' building.

Office Senior Partner Anna Purchas heads up the London office team.

Our Building

There are 14 floors in CSQ. From my desk I look out onto Stratford (you can see the Olympic Park and Orbit one way and the Gherkin another). There are 3 canteens – on 5th, 8th and a big one on 13 that has lots of different options, so people tend to eat in the office, which is great from a social perspective. We also have a client restaurant on 14 that hosts some events and has good food.

Did you know?



The Queen opened our office Canada Square officially, and on our 150th Anniversary we had a call with her!

We all call the London office CSQ.

Ollie's hints and tips (©



Get a good photo taken – it's really good to have on teams etc so people know who you are virtually and can approach you.

Your buddy allocated to you when you join will also be invaluable in answering your questions and giving advice.





Getting to know us

There are loads of opportunities to meet and get to know people. For example, within Strategy we have a social committee, learning and development, culture team and a book club.

We have Strategy events – drinks, post-project dinners and Christmas/ summer parties.

It is the same for all of the other departments – it's a really social place to be and everyone is really friendly – even though it is quite big you get to know your team and department quickly. To keep in touch, the grads and apprentices have a WhatsApp group, go for lunch nearly every day together and also meet each other outside of work for drinks/ dinner.

The 3 words I'd use to describe the London office are:

Social | Focused | Friendly



Around the office

We also have so many cafes, bars and restaurants around Canary Wharf which makes the location great.

It is really easy to get here – there is the Jubilee line, DLR, buses and also soon the Elizabeth Line.

We tend to eat in the office, but there is also our favourite of Farmer J for a healthy mixed lunch.

We have a Pergola next to the office and also the green turns into a drinks venue that is alpine themed in winter and grandstand themed in summer.

There is also lots of choice of classic pubs and drinks chains as well as chain restaurants to higher end ramen, sushi and traditional restaurants.

We have a gym downstairs in the basement of the building.





Get involved

There are loads of opportunities to get involved in CR. The CR team host a variety of different CR events throughout the year.

The most recent one was the KPMG Big Walk which was to raise money for last year's charity partner the NSPCC. This year we are supporting Marie Curie.

You can join any of the networks and get involved with them too and there are lots of clubs and societies to join. You're bound to find other people that have the same interests as you.



London – a great place to work

Canary Wharf is a great location. There is a cinema, electric shuffle and even an ice rink in winter! Otherwise, we are so close to central London there are all the amenities in town.

London is so diverse with much to do and there are so many people that live here it's great to bump into and meet up with people.

Grads live across London – many locate near the Jubilee Line, many live at home. The main boroughs are Clapham, Elephant and Castle, London Bridge, Shoreditch or Hampstead.

You can find out more about London via https://www.visitlondon.com/







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