

Bird & Bird

Your Summer
Internship Scheme
& Your Training
Contract

September 2022



A successful international law firm with a rich history

Having the strength and expertise to take on technically challenging work is just one part of who we are. At Bird & Bird, we pride ourselves on our ability to build strong relationships with clients, understanding the challenges they face in their industries and working as a seamless team to deliver the support they need.

At Bird & Bird, the flavour is definitely international – 75% of our major clients will deal with more than one of our 31 offices across Asia Pacific, Europe, the Middle East and the United States. Our team of over 1,400 lawyers know their local legal frameworks in exceptional detail and we work collaboratively across all our offices. It's why we're able to manage complex, cross-border projects, deals and other work seamlessly and successfully, working closely with our clients to deliver high-quality service.

In 1998, we became one of the first law firms to organise itself around industry sectors so that we could share our in-depth industry knowledge more effectively across the firm. Today, we're involved in a broad range of sectors, with a focus on Automotive, Aviation & Defence, Energy & Utilities, Financial Services, Life Sciences and Healthcare, Media, Entertainment and Sport, Retail and Consumer and Technology & Communications.

Bird & Bird in Asia-Pacific

Bird & Bird has been guiding clients in Asia Pacific for over 20 years. Our focus on industries being transformed by technology and the digital world, and our understanding of the diverse local cultures within the region has given us a deep insight into the issues our clients face.

Our network in Asia Pacific comprises offices located in key business centres in Beijing, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Singapore and Sydney. Our team of over 140 highly qualified and multi-lingual lawyers and legal professionals combines exceptional expertise with deep industry knowledge and refreshingly creative thinking to help our clients achieve their commercial goals.

Bird & Bird in China

We use our extensive experience to help clients navigate the complexities of China's business and regulatory environment and support clients across a broad range of industry sectors in relation to their legal requirements.

Through our formal association with a prominent local Chinese law firm, Lawjay Partners, we are able to assist our clients with contentious matters in Mainland China by litigating in the Chinese Courts.

Training contracts for September 2025

The Hong Kong office will recruit up to three trainee solicitors to start in September 2025. We will consider applications from graduates from a variety of disciplines. We look for rounded individuals who fit in well in our environment. The trainees we recruit will be outgoing, articulate team players, willing to work hard when called upon and genuinely interested in progressing.

Our training contract and the application process

Successful applicants will first be invited to attend interviews for a summer placement. Then four to five students will undertake a four weeks placement in June/July.

This summer placement is an opportunity for the candidate to be exposed to a real work environment and gain insight into the life of a modern forward thinking commercial law firm - the people, the environment and the different aspects of our work. You will have the opportunity to work in different departments: corporate, commercial, intellectual property, dispute resolution or employment and become actively involved in different areas and the work carried out there, attend in-house seminars and have the opportunity to meet members of the firm at every level.

Our vision

To be the number one law firm in the world for organisations being changed by the digital world or those leading that change.



Key Dates

	Summer Internship	Training Contracts
Intake	8-10	Up to 3
Time / Duration	June / July 2023 (for 4 weeks)	Two year training contract starting from September 2025
Application Period for Summer Internship	3 Oct 2022 to 31 Jan 2023	
How to Apply	 If you are interested in joining us, please scan the QR code or visit: https://www.twobirds.com/en/careers/china	

Our trainees will only be selected from our interns. Our winter internship is not a regular program and an announcement will be made on our website if this is undertaken.

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