



Analysis Industrial Placement

Location: DPD Stadium at Franklin's Gardens, Northampton

Department: Analysis

Reporting to: Lead Analyst

Placement dates: August 2027 to June 2028

Eligibility: The placement must form a required part of the applicant's UK-based degree course

"Help shape athlete preparation and performance through data and video analysis"

Join Northampton Saints for a season-long industrial placement within the Club's Performance department and gain hands-on experience in an elite professional rugby environment. Working alongside the Lead Analyst and Analysis Team, you will support the collection, analysis and presentation of data that helps inform the preparation and management of a high-performing squad.

This placement is designed for a motivated Sport Science student who has a passion for Analysis and wants to translate academic learning into applied practice. You will contribute to daily training and match-day workflows, collaborating with coaches and the wider analysis team to develop an understanding of how clear, accurate data supports decision-making in professional sport.

What you will learn and experience:

- Support the day-to-day collection, checking and organisation of athlete-monitoring data from training and match-day environments
- Gain practical experience using performance technologies such as Hudl Sportscode, Hudl Studio and other software's through 3rd party suppliers
- Assist with preparing clear and accurate reports, dashboards and summaries for coaches using multiple methods of presentation skills
- Help maintain data quality by following agreed processes, identifying gaps or inconsistencies and escalating queries to the appropriate team member
- Support routine analysis to help the team through opposition analysis and tracking of both individual and team performance trends
- Contribute to the practical set-up, delivery and close-down of monitoring activities, including equipment preparation and data uploads
- Exposure to how the Academy functions by assisting the Academy Analyst in the filming and coding of academy training sessions and matches
- Observe how analysts and practitioners interpret information and communicate relevant insights within a multidisciplinary performance team
- Review relevant research and current practice, sharing appropriate ideas while learning how evidence is applied in a professional setting

What we are looking for:

- A student studying Sport Science, Performance Analysis or a closely related subject, with this placement forming a required part of their UK-based degree course
- A proactive, enthusiastic approach and a genuine interest in Performance Analysis and high-performance sport



- Strong organisation, accuracy and attention to detail
- Confidence working with data and good computer skills
- Clear communication skills and the ability to contribute positively within a multidisciplinary team
- Availability for the full placement period from July 2027 to May 2028
- Experience of collecting or analysing performance data using software such as Sportscode or nacsport, would be helpful but is not essential

What you will gain:

- Broader commercial awareness of how an elite performance department operates and contributes to wider Club objectives
- A portfolio of practical examples and achievements to draw upon in future applications, interviews and university assessments
- Greater confidence in applying academic knowledge to unfamiliar problems and making considered recommendations
- Transferable strengths in resilience, adaptability, personal accountability and working effectively to deadlines
- Improved professional judgement, including when to act independently, seek guidance and escalate an issue
- Experience of receiving feedback, reflecting on performance and setting meaningful development goals
- A clearer understanding of career pathways across sports science, performance analysis, athlete monitoring and wider high-performance sport
- Professional insight and connections that may support further study, graduate roles or opportunities in elite sport and other data-driven sectors

Placement arrangements and eligibility:

This is an unpaid educational placement running from August 2027 to June 2028. Reasonable travel expenses will be reimbursed in accordance with the Club's agreed expenses arrangements.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be enrolled on a UK-based undergraduate, or Master's degree course
- Have an industrial placement or placement year as a required part of the above course
- Obtain confirmation and approval for the placement from their university
- Remain registered as a student, on programme, throughout the placement
- Be available for the full placement period

Application Details:

Please complete our online application form here: <https://yq0lvkhcoir.typeform.com/to/MMlopdiN>

Closing date: 9th November 2026 (the opportunity may close earlier if a high volume of applications is received)