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Hello, my name is Claudio Passalacqua and I just graduated in International Affairs from John Cabot University. As I was completing my studies, I felt the duty to put into practice what I learned during my last three and a half years at John Cabot University.

With the help of the Center for Career Services, I got an interview at the Italian Department of Antidrug Policies under the Italian Presidency of the Council of Ministries and I succeeded at obtaining the internship. This governmental department in cooperation with the Italian police seeks to prevent the use, the manufacturing and the trafficking of drugs from spreading out and becoming a social and security issue in the society.

My daily tasks have mainly consisted in translating documents from English to Italian, analyzing and summarizing papers, and archiving documents. During my working experience, I have learned the practical proceedings of a complex and at times inefficient bureaucratic apparatus such as the Italian state, as well as to accept criticisms and to be as precise as possible.

As far as my personal perspective concerns, I believe that any kind of student could fit perfectly with this job as far as he or she respects deadlines and cooperate actively.

Personally, I have enjoyed the working environment so far and I am more than satisfied with this prestigious job. At times, it could become demanding and stressing but as long as you show a constructive interest in carrying out your duties, you will succeed.

I would suggest this internship to any passionate student who wants to learn the practical proceedings of a governmental institution and who intends to work in a working environment that could be as inspiring as chaotic.

Best regards,

Claudio Passalacqua