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The WANdisco Data Academy

The Sheffield College Employer Academy Group

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About us

WANdisco is shaping the future of data infrastructure with our groundbreaking LiveData platform, enabling companies to finally put all their data to work for the business – all the time, at any scale. We ensure data is always available, always accurate, and always protected across any combination of on-premises and cloud environments, regardless of distance and data source. We do this at hyperscale economics to support exponential data growth within the same IT budget.

Our CEO David Richards and Chief Scientist Dr. Aahlad co-founded WANdisco in 2005. They grew the company without raising any private equity, venture capital or angel funding and led it to a highly successful IPO on the London Stock Exchange on June 1st 2012. Dr. Aahlad is a recognised world-wide authority on distributed computing. His vision and years of persistence led to the invention of a patented technology many said was impossible.

> "Computer science still says what we have done is impossible… but it's not."
>
> Dr. Yeturu Aahlad, Chief Scientist, Inventor & Co-founder

What we do

WANdisco is the only company with a solution to the enormous challenge of protecting digital assets — code, data, and processes — in the face of diverse data repositories and exponential data growth.

Our enterprise-class software platform, WANdisco Fusion, solves the problem of keeping data consistent in distributed environments — for any mix of on-premises, hybrid cloud and multi-cloud scenarios. Powered by a high-performance coordination engine, WANdisco Fusion ensures that unstructured data is always accessible, accurate, and consistent across multiple locations. By guaranteeing always-available data, WANdisco Fusion ensures business continuity, and enables enterprises to take advantage of their strategic data wherever it resides, without over-extending IT budgets and without impacting core systems. The new LiveData for MultiCloud solution expands the WANdisco Fusion capabilities by supporting any multi-cloud environment. Supported by strategic relationships with major cloud vendors, including Microsoft Azure, Amazon Web Services, Alibaba, Oracle, IBM and others, LiveData for MultiCloud offers true cloud agility, delivering data consistency across multiple cloud environments.

About our Academy at The Sheffield College

Essential skills we are looking for in our Academy Students:

- Good Communication skills - both verbal and written and the ability to speak up if and when problems are encountered

- Resilience and ambition to solve problems

- Ability to work independently as well as part of a team

- Good time-keeping skills

- Desire to succeed and hunger for knowledge

- Confidence to build on creativity and Innovation skills

Desirable skills:

- **An understanding or desire to understand Big Data concepts and what it is used for**

- **Familiarity with cloud platforms and Linux**

About our placements at our Sheffield office

Placements will give you a valuable opportunity to put your learning into practice, develop technical skills and become more employable.

What are the benefits for you?

- Build and develop your technical skills, increasing your competence and ability to progress into skilled employment
- Further develop "soft skills" such as communication, teamwork and problem-solving
- Gain deeper knowledge of the running of a business and general commercial principles
- Opportunity for personal growth: develop self-reliance, step out of your comfort zone, build confidence and learn about yourself. Identify your strengths and preferences for future career options
- Build a valuable working relationship with an employer, resulting in a more meaningful reference to use for future job applications
- Grow your network in the industry (including making contacts in other organisations), helping you to identify future job roles

During your placement, you will be expected to:

- Work towards the objectives you've set in advance
- Track progress by keeping your logbook updated, have regular one-to-one meetings with your line manager and tutor, and attend any necessary reviews
- Meet professional standards and etiquette, and abide by all rules regarding health and safety

Why WANdisco?

WANdisco's culture is one of innovation and our dynamic team is one of the best and brightest. During your placement in our academy, alongside The Sheffield College, we will offer you challenging and interesting work in a fun and supportive environment. Our goal is to enhance your skills and to increase your competencies in key areas that will support you during your studies and beyond.

Our Sheffield office is conveniently located across from Sheffield Train Station and has a games room with pool, ping pong, darts, and VR games. We always have free drinks and snacks and host frequent social events. Come join us!

Key benefits include:

- **Experience of working for a one-of-a-kind high tech company. Think California meets Sheffield!**
- **Exposure to tools and software used in the IT/Tech industry**
- **Working with a supportive, motivated and focused team**
- **Great experience for your CV, future study or placements**

How to apply

We welcome applicant to apply for our new for 2019 Data Academy by clicking through the following link:

http://www.sheffcol.ac.uk/courses/page/DF33DEEC-083C-43F3-AEBE-EDC0EDB40339

Equal opportunities

WANdisco is an Equal Opportunities employer and in essence our policy is to ensure that we recruit, train, pay and promote our people fairly and consistently, regardless of age, sex, gender, race, disability, nationality or ethnicity. We believe in diversity and inclusive ways of working, and welcome applications from people of all backgrounds. Please contact the WANdisco HR team if you have any questions regarding this policy.