

## ROB'S STORY



Name: Rob

Current Role & Function:

Assistant Group Accountant

Location: Basingstoke, UK

After completing my degree in Accounting and Financial Management at the University of Surrey in 2012, following a placement at SC Johnson, I knew that I was looking for a position in Accounting in a large Global company.

I joined Glory Global Solutions in August 2012 as an Assistant Finance Analyst in the Commercial Finance team. In order to achieve my ambition of becoming a qualified accountant I began studying ACCA in January 2014 with the support of the Company.

As my experience progressed, I was chosen by the Company as our first UK expatriate to our parent company, Glory Ltd., in Himeji, Japan. Learning as much of the Japanese language as I could, with Company support, I moved to Japan in March 2015 for a 10 month assignment. The objectives of my assignment were to gain knowledge on the finance procedures in Glory Ltd. and the general methods used by the accounting teams there whilst focusing on alignment opportunities with the processes that we follow in Glory Global Solutions.

Whilst I enjoyed learning about new ways of working within Glory Ltd. the highlight of my expatriation was, without a doubt, travelling through Japan and seeing many new cities in a completely different culture to

what I am accustomed to. The Japanese culture is one that I have never experienced before and that I completely embraced during my time on assignment – from trying local dishes such as sashimi and yakiniku to watching Japan's most popular sport, baseball – there was something new to experience every day.

Moving back to the UK at the end of December 2015 I started a new position at Glory Global Solutions as Assistant Group Accountant. I look forward to completing my ACCA qualification and I'm grateful for the opportunities that have arisen whilst I've worked for this company during the last 4 years. I thoroughly enjoy working for a company where everyone is friendly and willing to help while gaining experience in a global company with the ability to interact with people of different cultures.

### KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Began studying ACCA in January 2014
- Japan Expatriation in March 2015 returning in December 2015

### CAREER HISTORY WITHIN GLORY GLOBAL SOLUTIONS

