



MTAA Internship Pilot Scheme 2009

Fact Sheet for MTAA Member Host Companies

The MTAA Internship Pilot Scheme offers an opportunity for medical technology companies to provide an Australian university student the opportunity to learn while working on a project for the company.

Program benefits for companies:

- New ideas based on the latest research are brought to host companies.
- Knowledge and expertise of the current workforce in the medical technology industry is enhanced by exposing them to new ideas and current research.
- Australia's best and brightest are accessed prior to graduation.
- Opportunities to secure the right graduates at an early stage are available.
- Enthusiasm of interns brought into the workforce can be harnessed.
- Projects are undertaken that may otherwise not be.
- Progress of the organisation is contributed to by interns.
- Links between the medical technology industry and universities are enhanced.

For large companies, an intern may rotate around the company over time and build experiences across the business. Small companies may jointly host an intern, so he/she can move across companies to gain broader opportunities. Internships will be paid positions, funded by the host company.

Remuneration will be set by MTAA, in consultation with industry and universities, to ensure comparability and consistency. In addition Interns are able to earn credit points while the subject is in session.

Possible internship models include:

1. Full-time placement for up to 12 months
2. Full-time summer vacation work followed by part-time placement over 12 weeks
3. Part-time placement over 1 semester with full-time work during mid-term semester break
4. Two cross functional part-time placements, each for 12 weeks over one semester
5. Part-time placement over 12 weeks

Disciplines relevant to the medical technology industry include biomedical engineering, business, finance, IT, marketing, nursing and science. Eligible students include undergraduate (including Honours) and coursework Masters degree. Undergraduate students must have completed at least one year of full-time study before the start and have one year or more of full-time study remaining at the completion of the internship. Post-graduate students will enter the scheme at a suitable point along the learning continuum.

To learn more about the benefits of the Internship Pilot Scheme for interns and universities, access additional Fact Sheets on the MTAA website www.mtaa.org.au

Contact details

For details on the requirements of host companies wishing to participate in the 2009 Internship Pilot Scheme, please contact the Professional Development Manager, (02) 9900 0650 or email reception@mtaa.org.au

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