



MTAA Internship Pilot Scheme 2009

Fact Sheet for Universities

The Medical Technology Association of Australia (MTAA) Internship Pilot Scheme provides an opportunity for up to five Australian university undergraduate (including Honours) or coursework Masters degree students to engage in a paid program of learning by completing an agreed project with a medical technology host company. The internship will be conducted while the subject is in session; leading to credit points.

Undergraduate students must have completed at least one year of full-time study before commencing 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. Disciplines relevant to the medical technology industry include biomedical engineering, business, finance, IT, marketing, nursing and science.

Program benefits for universities:

- New ideas based on the latest research taught in universities are put into practice.
- Experience gained by interns in the workplace can be drawn upon during continued study.
- Links between the medical technology industry and universities are enhanced.
- University supervisors are exposed to industry through the supervision program.
- Opportunities for further study specialisations through exposure to the medical technology industry are provided.
- Universities can raise their profile with industry and the Australian community.

Possible models for internships include:

1. Full-time industrial 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.

An intern may rotate to various departments in a large company over time and build experiences across the business. Small companies may jointly host an intern, so he/she can move across various 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.

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

Contact details

For details on the requirements of universities or interns 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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