



MTAA Internship Pilot Scheme 2009

Fact Sheet for Interns

The Medical Technology Association of Australia (MTAA) Internship Pilot Scheme provides an opportunity for up to five Australian university undergraduates (including Honours) or coursework Masters degree students to learn while completing a project for a medical technology company. Students will be able to earn credit points while the subject is in session.

Interns will:

- gain first-hand insight into the medical technology industry,
- learn from and be supervised by industry experts,
- be supported through workplace supervision and mentoring at the start of their career,
- gain valuable knowledge, skills and understanding “on the job”,
- be supported with ongoing professional development for life-long learning,
- have opportunities to link theory to workplace practice,
- earn an income while engaging in experiential learning,
- have opportunities to develop ideas for further study specialisations through exposure to industry,
- have opportunities to work with leading edge technologies in high standard facilities,
- establish work ethics optimal to the industry,
- establish professional networks,
- increase future employment options.

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

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 be eligible, undergraduate students must have completed at least one year of full-time study before starting and have one year or more of full-time study remaining at the completion of the internship. Post-graduate students 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.

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

Contact details

For details on the requirements of 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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