

Careers presents

Should I apply for this internship?



Learning Potential

Does the opportunity provide meaningful, career-related experience, which will allow you to apply what you've learnt at university in a work context? Does it include specific goals and objectives which support your academic and career interests?



Tasks & Responsibilities

Do you think the tasks/responsibilities outlined in the position description seem ethical and appropriate for an internship? Would you feel comfortable and equipped to perform the outlined tasks or duties?



Will you have a supervisor?

Research shows the benefits of internships and work experience don't only come from 'doing' but from receiving continual feedback and guidance from a supervisor or mentor, as well as having sufficient time to reflect on and evaluate your experience.



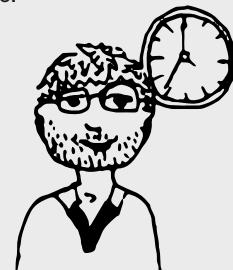
Is it paid?

Regardless of whether you're receiving 'perks' such as a travel allowance, shares in a start-up, mentoring or free beer every Friday, if an internship is advertised as unpaid, it needs to be undertaken as part of a course requirement. If the position is paid, make sure it's meeting minimum wage requirements.



Do you have an internship requirement in your course?

If you do have an internship requirement as part of your course/subject, send the opportunity to your UTS supervisor to ensure the opportunity will meet course requirements. Internships that meet course requirements are lawfully unpaid, however UTS encourages all employers to provide paid internships.



Time commitment

What is the time commitment the organisation is asking of this position? Does it sound reasonable for an internship and are you able to take it on as well as studying and/or working part-time? If it feels unachievable to undertake an internship during session, consider organising an internship over the summer break.

Still Unsure?
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Swing by Careers drop-in on level 4 of the tower building to chat with one of our recruitment advisors about what opportunities would best suit your

career interests and objectives, or contact your faculty for further advice about what internships will meet your course requirements.