

## TechNZ Undergraduate Student Internships – 2010/11 programme

### TechNZ's undergraduate student internship programme for 2010/11 is open for registrations.

An important part of supporting innovation in New Zealand is supporting the next generation of innovators. Each year TechNZ supports undergraduate science, technology and engineering students to undertake projects with both small and large companies active in research and development.

For the 2010/11 summer (November to February), we will support 185 senior undergraduate students to undertake internships with innovative New Zealand companies.

We are now inviting companies to register their interest to be part of this programme and present a brief outline of the project they are looking to undertake. This programme is open to all companies – as we are looking to place students into companies, both large and small, where R&D is at the centre of their growth strategies.

Internship funding provides baseline funding of \$16 per hour + GST for up to 400 hours of work upon proof of the company's payment to the intern. This funding is paid directly to the company employing the student.

### Key Features

- Companies will be invited to submit a three page registration of interest document. This is available to be downloaded through the Foundation's website - [www.frst.govt.nz/technzinternships](http://www.frst.govt.nz/technzinternships)
- TechNZ will provide funding for one undergraduate per company.
- Once approved, the company will need to identify a student (if not already known) and present a final project plan to TechNZ.

### Eligibility

- A R&D project must be defined for the student. General work experience is not acceptable.
- The project does not have to be novel R&D. It can be project, process or efficiency focused.
- There must be a clear benefit for the company and the student. You do not need to identify a student for a project prior to registering your interest.
- The student must be NZQA Level 7 or above and have appropriate qualifications for the project. They should as a minimum be about to enter their third year of an undergraduate degree.

## Timeline

- Registrations of interest open Monday 9 August.
- Companies to email completed registrations to [technzinternship@frst.govt.nz](mailto:technzinternship@frst.govt.nz) by Friday 10 September.
- Companies notified of decision by Monday 24 September. Successful companies can find a student.
- Companies have until Friday 19 November to find an undergraduate student and submit project plan.

## Want more information?

Email [technzinternship@frst.govt.nz](mailto:technzinternship@frst.govt.nz) or contact your TechNZ Investment Manager, Auckland (09 912 6730), Wellington (04 917 7800) or Christchurch (03 963 2070) or your regional TechNZ partner on 0800 TechNZ (832 469).