

University of Auckland- Comms Internships Course

The Faculty of Arts & Education at the University of Auckland offers approved students the chance to complete an **unpaid** undergraduate internship for academic credit in the final year of their degree. Students accepted into this course come from a range of communications subject areas (media, journalism, video production, digital media content production) combined with politics, criminology, languages & cultural studies, history, social sciences, global studies, business, IT and other majors.

To successfully complete the course students are required to.

- Complete a supervised (unpaid) internship project of approximately 80-hours either one day a week during the semester, as a block of 2-3 weeks during the semester or in the summer or winter break before the semester.
- Attend on campus workshops at the beginning and end of the course to prepare for and report on their internship.

Our standards for acceptance are high and students who apply for this course require the following.

- A written application outlining their goals for an internship
- A carefully crafted CV tailored to their preferred internship project
- A supporting reference letter from an academic staff member
- Attendance at a pre-course pitch session with the course convenor to outline their suitability for their preferred internship.

Following satisfactory completion of the pre-course activities, the course convenor works with the student to set up a meeting/interview in their preferred organisation.

Acceptance into the course is only confirmed once the partnering organisation has agreed to take on the student for a specific project and provide a mentor/supervisor for the duration of the project. We also require the supervisor/mentor to complete a one-page internship evaluation report at the end of the internship.

If you have a project in mind please write half-page brief including an intro to the organisation, the project outline and the starting skills you require. We post this on the Internship web page so students can select and apply, firstly to us, for a specific project.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need any further information about our Comms Internship programme.

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