

# **UniSA Business Internship Program**

Welcome to 2021, hoping you've had a lovely festive season and here's to 2021 being a step up on last year!

This month:

- Key Dates January deadline for Project Briefs next week!
- April Industry to Student networking a return to face-to-face
- Conference opportunity for NFP/NGO leaders
- Industry Partner Feature Health & Life

#### Key Dates – Seeking Opportunities for January advertising

Our next cohort commences early March 2021, **Project Briefs for this group are due the week commencing 18**<sup>th</sup> January (next week!) and we'll be taking applications the week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> January.

Send me your drafts asap, If you can frame the Project Scope and desired outcomes I can generally develop that into a mature draft for you.

Feel free to download the 2-page Key Information, Dates & FAQs Summary

## **April Networking Event**

We are on track for an in-person event which is very exciting and will be a welcome return to F2F! We're finalising venues and dates, registrations will be open mid-February and the link provided in the newsletter.

The premise and aim remain the same, connecting you with as many students as possible in a speednetworking format to facilitate placements for our June and August cohorts.

#### Conference opportunity for NFPs/NGOs

How can leaders today foster the best possible future for the not-for-profit sector? How can we build our organisational capacity and drive innovation? How can we ensure the next generation of the sector's leaders strive to maximise social outcomes, and are equipped to do so?

These issues and more will be explored at the inaugural Shaping the Future of Non-Profit Leadership conference on April 21, 2021, held at the state-of-the-art U City Function Centre on Franklin St, Adelaide. This event is open to Board Members, CEOs and emerging leaders from not-for-profit organisations.

Early bird registration is now open at www.nonprofitleadership.com.au

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# COVID-19 Update

To further mitigate risk we are incorporating an additional mandatory pre-placement questionnaire for all students that will clarify their contact/exposure to medi-hotels and/or current COVID-19 hotspots.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Daryl – <u>daryl.mcmahon@unisa.edu.au</u>

## Industry Partner Feature – Heath & Life

Each month we offer the opportunity for an industry partner to promote their high performing interns as a way to say thank you and improve their employability profile.





Left to right: David Dahm (Founder & CEO) and Wahab Salami (Bachelor of Commerce – Accounting)

Wahab Salami, intern at Health & Life in 2020:

"12 years ago in Lagos Island, Nigeria, I couldn't afford \$20 for transport from Lagos to Abuja, however I dreamt about travelling to Australia to get my Bachelor Degree. Through friends I learnt how to write a conference abstract that was accepted and came with a scholarship that took me abroad. Eventually I made it to Australia and commenced my degree, my plan from the start was to do an internship and over time submitted dozens of applications that went nowhere – a common challenge for international students. Through the UniSA Internship Program I met David who took me onboard provided an amazing opportunity.

Health & Life enabled me to get my Advisor Certificate on Xero, and get hands-on with real-world BAS and other client activities. Training in Xbert provided me insight into the latest tech available to support clients.

After so long applying, I realised how difficult it is to get an opportunity, which is why I am taking this time to say thank you to the amazing staff of Health & Life. It all starts with people giving each other an opportunity, you never know how meaningful or life changing it could be for that person."

# David Dahm, Founder & CEO:

"It has been an honour and privilege to host Uni SA interns, they are motivated, creative and inspirational to work with. Their hard-working ethic makes it possible for both of us to achieve our personal, professional and business goals. The UniSA internship program is the X factor in our research and development and practice operations. *They are a critical sounding board and they help execute those cutting-edge ideas you never get around to*.

It is an amazing co-learning experience which has delivered us ground-breaking results and adds a competitive edge to both of our CV's . It is a useful and meaningful way to find and develop talented staff. We have employed them, and many have become proud members of our extended alumni network inside and outside of Health and Life. We see their success as our success.

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