



## UniSA Business Internship Program

Nearing the end of February already, is it just me or is 2021 flying by? This month, very excited to announce:

- **IN-PERSON Industry to Student Networking – WE'RE BACK!!**
- March cohort – Still seeking accounting/finance opportunities
- Mentoring programs – How to get involved
- The Big Meet – There's still spots available
- Industry Partner Feature – Sheetmetal Australia

### Industry to Student Speed-Networking Event – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April

We are extremely delighted to be returning to face-to-face speed-networking, building on the success of our first such event way back in November 2019 – we had over 100+ students connecting with 70+ industry personnel, dozens of matches were made that developed into placements.

Basic format remains the same – students are grouped at tables by discipline and industry work the room for a continuous stream of 5-minute interactions. You will be talking for 2 solid hours!

**When & Where: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021, 8am-11am, Adelaide Convention Centre**

Numbers limited so best to get in early, for more information and FAQs:

**[REGISTER HERE ON EVENTBRITE](#)**



### March cohort update

We still have some students seeking Opportunities, primarily in Accounting/Finance, and they are ready and willing to meet with you to discuss options. If you could send through your interest, and a draft Project Scope outline, we can go from there. These placements would be undertaken between early-March and mid-June.

Feel free to [download the 2-page Key Information, Dates & FAQs Summary](#)

### Business Career Mentor Program

Join us for the [Business Career Mentor Program](#) and have a positive impact on a student's career while gaining the personal satisfaction of being able to help someone as a mentor. Our mentors regularly tell us how fulfilling it is to directly contribute to someone else's growth and development.

### Connect with future talent at UniSA Careers Expo, aka "The Big Meet"

Keen to identify new talent for your organisation and build brand exposure? There's still a few booths available at the 2021 UniSA Careers Expo/The Big Meet! The Careers Expo is a unique opportunity to meet in-person with students and graduates across a range of year levels, discipline areas and expertise. You can promote your internships, graduate roles & part-time jobs. Get in quick as the event is Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 11am-3pm, at the Adelaide Convention Centre.

[Find out more and register here](#)

## Industry Partner Feature – Sheetmetal Australia

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: Jack Barnes (intern turned staff member) & David Saunders (Factory Floor Manager & Senior Estimator)

**Sheetmetal Australia (SMA)** have hosted several interns across different disciplines since joining the program in early 2020. SMA's Director, Tammie Blackmore, highlights how this has been beneficial to the company and resulted in their newest employee:

*"2020 was a challenging year for many. A year we decided to focus to develop some of our ideas that were long overdue. With the assistance of Daryl McMahon and his team, we were able to convert some of our ideas into projects that enabled us to utilise the internship program at UniSA.*

*Jack Barnes was an intern we engaged with for a 15-day placement, where he was tasked to research our current marketing position and provide a report about how we could improve our presence in the marketplace. We were very impressed with his quality of work and ability to work well within the culture of our business that we decided to provide him with a part time position to implement his plan and provide additional support to our admin team. the program is a great way for us to gain fresh ideas and skills into our team as well as seeing if they would be suitable to fit into our work culture. We are now looking forward to our next lot of interns to complete our new ideas we are now creating!"*

UniSA student, Jack Barnes, talks about the impact of the program for him:

*"My decision to participate within the marketing practicum program was a simple one, and I regard it as one of the most influential choices of my university journey thus far. Entering the final year of my Marketing and Communications degree, I lacked the necessary relevant industry experience and knowledge required to gain significant employment following my graduation, so an industry placement was the perfect option for me.*

*Beginning in the second semester of 2020, my 15 days of placement at Sheetmetal Australia (SMA) provided me with the opportunity to broaden my networks and finally put the theory I had learned over the previous two and half years to practical use. Tasked with the job of developing a marketing report for SMA, I wholly threw myself into my role, gathering and analyzing all relevant data and resources I could get my hands on. With assistance from SMA staff, I was able to obtain one of the highest grades of my degree within the marketing practicum class. However, more importantly, I was able to gain experience, relevant industry contacts and a great referee for my resume.*

*Following the completion of my 15-day placement, I was graciously offered a part time digital marketing assistant position at SMA to implement recommendations stated within my marketing report. My experience has been one of not only learning but enjoyment as well, and I will continue to recommend the marketing practicum class to students alongside SMA as a placement destination."*

[Interested in learning more about Sheetmetal Australia – click here](#)

For more information don't hesitate to get in touch:

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