

# **VIRTUAL OVERSEAS INTERNSHIPS**

**SUMMER BREAK 2020/2021**



# WHAT IS A VIRTUAL INTERNSHIP?



An internship is a short-term, generally unpaid work experience in an area relevant to your course. Internships can be from 4 – 12 weeks and they are usually taken full-time in an intensive block.

A virtual internship allows you to have an international work experience without needing to physically travel to another country. You will intern for an organisation based in another country, working remotely.



# ELEMENTS OF A VIRTUAL INTERNSHIP



**INTERNSHIP WITH INTERNATIONAL  
HOST ORGANISATION**



**ACADEMIC INTERNSHIP  
UNIT WITH SWINBURNE**



**CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**



**EMPLOYABILITY WORKSHOPS**

# AM I ELIGIBLE?



- Eligibility criteria is based on the academic unit that you will utilize for the internship
- **Minimum eligibility requirements for UNDERGRAD STUDENTS:**
  - Completed 100 credit points
  - Have an average mark of at least 60%
  - If your mark is between 50 - 60%, additional assessment steps will be undertaken
  - Have available space in your course for the applicable academic unit (domestic students may be able to overload their degree)
- **Minimum eligibility requirements for POSTGRAD STUDENTS:**
  - Completed 25 credit points at the time of application
  - Have an average mark of at least 60%
  - If your mark is between 50 - 60%, additional assessment steps will be undertaken
  - Have available space in your course for the applicable academic unit (domestic students may be able to overload their degree)

# WHY PARTICIPATE?

- 1) Adapt to the current restrictions on travel
- 2) Still have an international work experience before graduating
- 3) Do something to benefit your future in a difficult and restrictive time
- 4) Build international career networks
- 5) Fast track your degree







# EVERY INTERNSHIP HAS...

## Academic Component

- Academic Program
- You will be enrolled in to a unit during your internship
- Unit may be credit bearing, or a 0 credit point mandatory professional experience
- You will have some form of academic work to do before/ during/ after your internship
- You will be charged applicable tuition fees for the unit you take

## Internship Role

- Placement in a host organisation
- You will be given a position description that outlines the types of tasks you will work on in the organisation
- You will be assigned an industry supervisor who you will work with to meet the goals and objectives of your internship
- You are not assessed on the work you do at your internship

# ACADEMIC UNIT OPTIONS

## UNDERGRADUATE OPTIONS

International  
Internship 12.5CP

International  
Internship  
(Extended) 25CP

Media and  
Communications  
Project A/B

Professional  
Experience in  
Engineering

Professional  
Experience in Law

## POSTGRADUATE OPTIONS

MFP80002  
International  
Internship 12.5CP

MFP80004  
International  
Internship  
(Extended) 25CP

MDA80006 Media  
Industry  
Experience

EAT80003  
Professional  
Practice in  
Engineering

# UNDERGRAD – INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP 12.5CP

**FOR  
INTERNSHIPS OF  
15 – 25 DAYS**

**WORTH 12.5  
CREDIT POINTS**

**TAKES THE  
PLACE OF 1  
ELECTIVE**

## ELIGIBILITY

Be in an undergraduate course that has an International Internship as an option

Completed 150 credit points (12 units)

Have an average mark of at least 60% (or if your mark is between 50 - 60% we'll do additional assessment)

Have an elective unit free in your study plan (domestic students may overload their degree if they have no electives)



# INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP 12.5CP UNIT CODES



- AVA20020 International Internship – Aviation
- BUS20016 International Internship – Business
- DDD20036 International Internship – Design
- ENG20007 International Internship – Engineering
- FTV20024 International Internship – Film and Television
- GAM20012 International Internship – Games and Interactivity
- HEA20012 International Internship – Health
- ICT20024 International Internship – Information and Communication Technology
- INF20025 International Internship – Information Systems
- MDA20023 International Internship – Media and Communications
- NPS20009 International Internship – Science
- PSY20019 International Internship – Psychological Sciences
- SOC20024 International Internship – Humanities

# UNDERGRAD- INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP (EXTENDED) 25CP

**FOR  
INTERNSHIPS OF  
30 – 60 DAYS**

**WORTH 25  
CREDIT POINTS**

**TAKES THE  
PLACE OF 2  
ELECTIVES**

## ELIGIBILITY

Be in an undergraduate course that has an International Internship as an option

Completed 150 credit points (12 units)

Have an average mark of at least 60% (or if your mark is between 50 - 60% we'll do additional assessment)

Have two electives free in your study plan (domestic students may overload their degree if they have no electives)

# INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP 25CP UNIT CODES



- AVA20018 International Internship – Aviation (Extended)
- BUS20013 International Internship – Business (Extended)
- DDD20033 International Internship – Design (Extended)
- ENG20005 International Internship – Engineering (Extended)
- FTV20020 International Internship – Film and Television (Extended)
- GAM20009 International Internship – Games and Interactivity (Extended)
- HEA20005 International Internship – Health (Extended)
- ICT20015 International Internship – Information and Communication Technology (Extended)
- INF20021 International Internship – Information Systems (Extended)
- MDA20020 International Internship – Media and Communications (Extended)
- NPS20007 International Internship – Science (Extended)
- PSY20017 International Internship – Psychological Sciences (Extended)
- SOC20021 International Internship – Humanities (Extended)

# **UNDERGRAD – MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT A/B**

**FOR MEDIA &  
COMMS  
STUDENTS**

**WORTH 12.5  
CREDIT POINTS  
EACH**

**CAN DO 1 OR  
BOTH**

**MAY BE A CORE  
UNIT**

**CAN REPLACE  
ELECTIVES**

**B DURING  
SUMMER  
&  
A DURING SEM 1**

# UNDERGRAD – MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT A/B

## UNIT CODES

- MDA30006 Media and Communications Project A
  - Core unit for following majors:
    - Creative Writing and Literature
    - Professional Writing and Editing
- MDA30007 Media and Communications Project B
  - Core unit for following majors:
    - Social Media

## ELIGIBILITY

- Completed 100 credit points
- Have an average mark of at least 60%
- If your mark is between 50 - 60%, additional assessment steps will be undertaken

# **UNDERGRAD – PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN ENGINEERING**

**EAT20008 PROF  
EXPERIENCE IN  
ENGINEERING**

**0 CREDIT POINT  
UNIT**

**MANDATORY FOR  
ENGINEERING  
(NON PROF)**

**MUST COMPLETE  
EQUIVALENT OF  
12 WEEKS**

**INTERNSHIP CAN  
COUNT AS SOME  
WEEKS**

**DON'T HAVE TO  
COMPLETE ALL  
WEEKS AT ONCE**



# **UNDERGRAD – PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN LAW**

**LAW10016  
Professional  
Experience in Law 1**

**LAW20018  
Professional  
Experience in Law 2**

**LAW30016  
Professional  
Experience in Law 3**

**0 CREDIT POINT  
UNITS**

**20 DAYS PER  
PLACEMENT**

**CAN COMPLETE  
MULTIPLE  
PLACEMENTS IN  
ONE INTERNSHIP**

# POSTGRAD – MFP80002 INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP 12.5CP

**FOR  
INTERNSHIPS OF  
15 – 25 DAYS**

**WORTH 12.5  
CREDIT POINTS**

**TAKES THE  
PLACE OF 1  
ELECTIVE**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Completed 25 credit points (2 units) at the time of application

Have an average mark of at least 60% (or if your mark is between 50 - 60% we'll do additional assessment)

Have an elective unit free in your study plan (domestic students *may* overload their degree if they have no electives)

# POSTGRAD – MFP80004 INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP (EXTENDED) 25CP

**FOR  
INTERNSHIPS OF  
30 – 60 DAYS**

**WORTH 25  
CREDIT POINTS**

**TAKES THE  
PLACE OF 2  
ELECTIVES**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Completed 25 credit points (2 units) at the time of application

Have an average mark of at least 60% (or if your mark is between 50 - 60% we'll do additional assessment)

Have an elective unit free in your study plan (domestic students *may* overload their degree if they have no electives)

# POSTGRAD – MDA80006 MEDIA INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

**FOR MASTER OF  
MEDIA & COMMS  
STUDENTS**

**CORE UNIT IN  
FINAL SEMESTER**

**WORTH 25  
CREDIT POINTS**

**UNIT RUN IN SEM  
2 ONLY**

**INTERNSHIP  
MUST BE IN  
WINTER PERIOD  
ONLY**

**INTERNSHIP  
FIRST –  
ASSESSMENTS  
AFTERWARDS**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- Meet overall program eligibility
- Satisfied the pre-requisites for the unit
- Approval from unit convenor (Swinburne Abroad will manage this process)

# **POSTGRAD – EAT80003 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN ENGINEERING**

**EAT80003 PROF  
PRACTICE IN  
ENGINEERING**

**0 CREDIT POINT  
UNIT**

**MANDATORY FOR  
MASTER OF ENG  
& MASTER OF  
ENG SCIENCE**

**MUST COMPLETE  
EQUIVALENT OF  
12 WEEKS**

**INTERNSHIP CAN  
COUNT AS SOME  
WEEKS**

**DON'T HAVE TO  
COMPLETE ALL  
WEEKS AT ONCE**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- Meet overall program eligibility
- Haven't already completed 12 weeks and completed the unit
- Satisfied the pre-requisites for the unit
- Approval from unit convenor (Swinburne Abroad will manage this process)

# ACADEMIC UNIT OPTIONS

## WHAT ACADEMIC UNIT SHOULD YOU USE?

FIND OUT WHICH ACADEMIC UNIT YOU SHOULD USE FOR YOUR OVERSEAS INTERNSHIP

\*Note that this PDF document is interactive. Please click and select your answer and you will be redirected to the correct information based on your course.

What level of course are you studying - Undergraduate (Bachelor) or Postgraduate (Masters)?

Undergraduate  
(Bachelor)

Postgraduate  
(Masters)

OVERSEAS INTERNSHIPS ACADEMIC UNIT OPTIONS

WHEN YOU APPLY FOR YOUR DESIRED INTERNSHIP PROGRAM, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO SELECT THE ACADEMIC UNIT YOU WOULD LIKE TO USE

IF YOU ARE NOT SURE WHICH ACADEMIC UNIT IS MOST SUITABLE TO YOUR COURSE AND DESIRED INTERNSHIP PROGRAM, PLEASE USE THE ACADEMIC UNIT PDF FOUND IN THE GOOGLE DRIVE FOLDER WITH THIS RECORDING, AND COMPLETE THE INTERACTIVE QUESTIONS TO DETERMINE WHICH UNIT YOU SHOULD UTILISE

ACCESS THE DOCUMENT [HERE](#)





# INTERNSHIP ROLE

- You will be placed in a host organisation in a role that is relevant to your studies
- When you work will be arranged between yourself and your host organisation, and will depend on the time zones and nature of work
- Virtual internships are generally more project-based, and you will work more independently with regular check-ins with your supervisor
- You will be assigned an industry supervisor within the organisation who is qualified in your study area

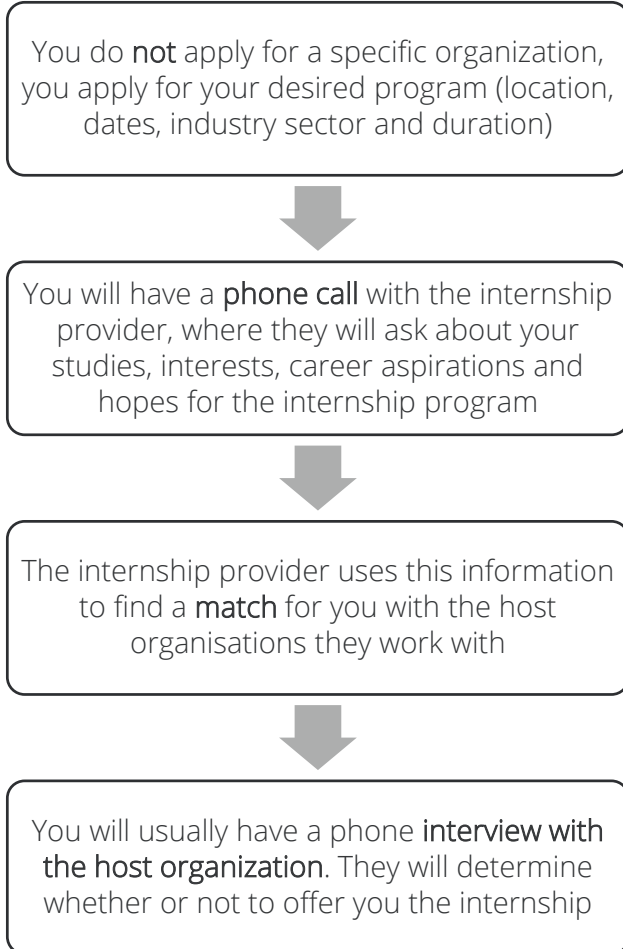


# INTERNSHIP PROVIDERS

- Swinburne partners with a number of internship providers who organise overseas internships
- They have staff in each location they offer internships and have connections to hundreds of host organisations
- They will source a host organisation for you
- They provide a comprehensive package that includes things like cultural activities, workshops, guest speakers, support and regular check-ins etc.
- Providers charge a fee for this service



# HOW IT WORKS



# WHAT THIS MEANS

**You won't know the host organisation you will be working at when you apply**

**The internship provider is obliged to source an internship that Swinburne will approve, you can't 'not like' the organisation**

**You usually won't find out until a month prior to departure**

**You will most likely have paid deposits before finding out your organisation**





# **INTERNSHIP ROLES & HOST ORGANISATION**

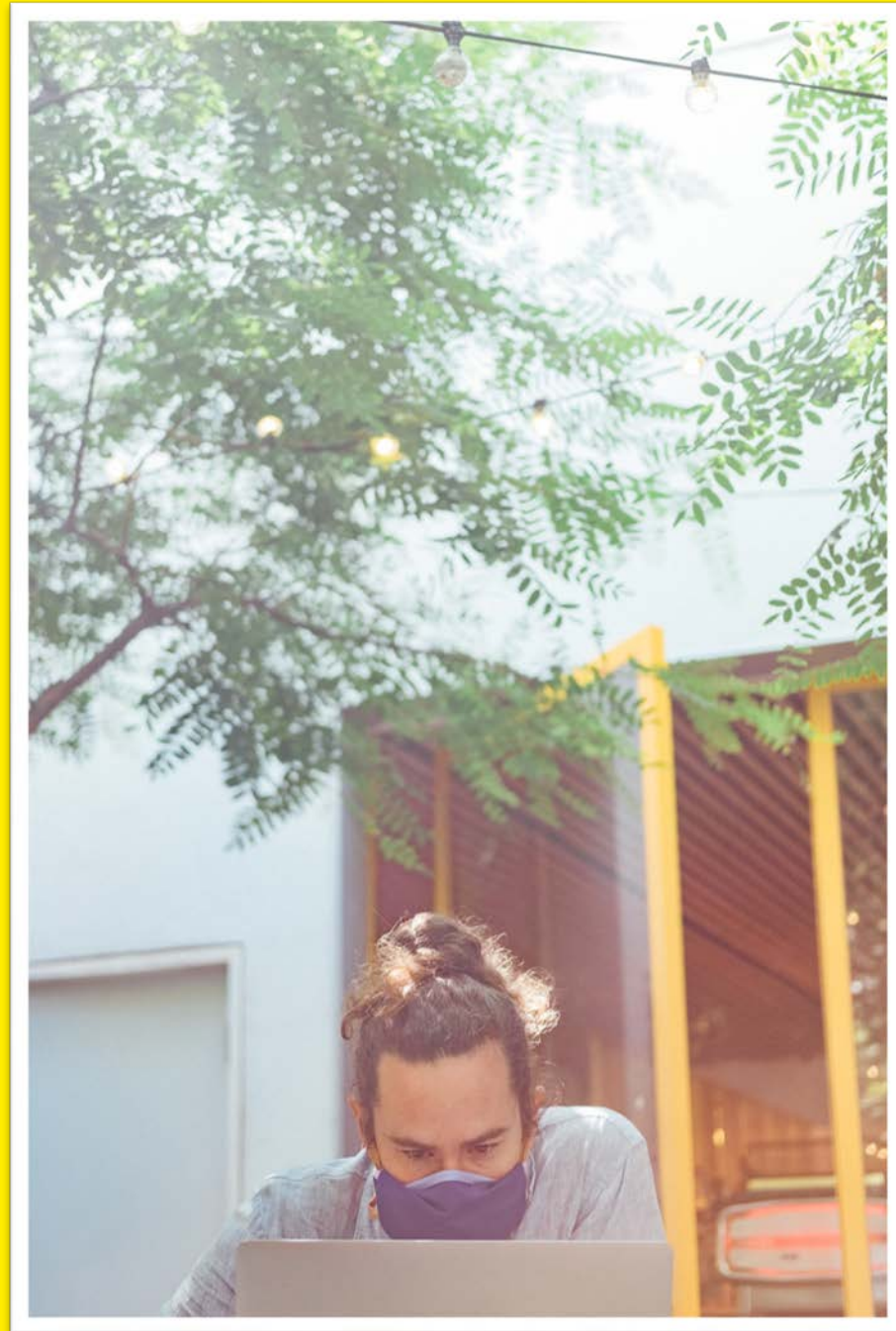
- We, and our internship providers, endeavor to find you an internship that closely aligns to your area of study, your interests and goals
- However it is important to keep realistic expectations about a virtual internship, and what is possible in a remote working environment
- An internship, although unpaid, is like any job in that your qualifications, GPA, experience, application, interview etc. all come in to consideration when host organisations are reviewing your application
- Not every city is strong in all study areas, certain locations are better than others for particular areas, our team and internship providers can advise you
- Certain industries are very difficult to find internships in for a number of reasons





# **SUMMER** **VIRTUAL** **INTERNSHIP** **PROGRAMS**

**2020/2021**





# GLOBAL VIRTUAL INTERNSHIPS

Locations	<p>Berlin, Germany Barcelona, Spain Boston, USA Los Angeles, USA Madrid, Spain New York, USA Paris, France Prague, Czech Republic Rome, Italy San Francisco, USA Seville, Spain Toronto, Canada</p> <p><i>*Students will be required to select three location options at time of application. Not all locations are suitable for all study areas</i></p>
Internship Provider	Academic Internship Council
Study Level	Undergraduate and Postgraduate
Duration	8-weeks
Dates	8-weeks: 4 January – 27 February
Cost	\$1,450 USD (approximately \$2,000 AUD)





# CHINA ENGINEERING INTERNSHIPS

Location	China
Internship Provider	InternChina (Pagoda Projects)
Study Level	Undergraduate & Postgraduate
Study Areas	Most UG & PG Engineering majors ( <i>NO Biomed or Telecommunications</i> )
Duration	8-weeks
Dates	14 December 2020 – 5 February 2021
Cost	\$2,200 AUD ( <i>plus \$300 AUD refundable deposit</i> )
Funding Available?	\$2,200 AUD New Colombo Plan grants for eligible students

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS PROGRAM [HERE](#)







# MALAYSIA WOMEN IN STEM INTERNSHIPS

Location	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Internship Provider	The Global Student
Study Level	Undergraduate only
Study Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Engineering (<i>NO Biomed or Telecomms</i>)</li><li>- Science (<i>NO Applied Maths, Biochem or Physics</i>)</li><li>- IT and Computer Science</li><li>- Business Information Systems</li><li>- Health Science (<i>ONLY Health Promotion, Nutrition and Psychology</i>)</li><li>- Design (<i>Architecture, Interior Architecture and Industrial Design</i>)</li></ul>
Duration	8-weeks
Dates	4 January – 26 February 2021
Cost	\$2,130 AUD
Funding Available?	\$2,130 AUD New Colombo Plan grants for eligible students







# MALAYSIA BUSINESS & LAW INTERNSHIPS

Location	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Internship Provider	The Global Student
Study Level	Undergraduate and Postgraduate
Study Areas	- UG Law - Most UG & PG Business majors ( <i>NO finance or banking</i> )
Duration	8-weeks
Dates	4 January – 26 February 2021
Cost	\$1,950 AUD
Funding Available?	\$1,950 AUD NCP grants available to eligible students







# MALAYSIA ENGINEERING INTERNSHIPS

Location	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Internship Provider	The Global Student
Study Level	Undergraduate and Postgraduate
Study Areas	Most UG & PG Engineering majors ( <i>NO Biomed or Telecommunications</i> )
Duration	8-weeks
Dates	4 January – 26 February 2021
Cost	\$1,950 AUD
Funding Available?	\$1,950 AUD NCP grants available to eligible students







# VIETNAM IT & COMPUTER SCIENCE INTERNSHIPS

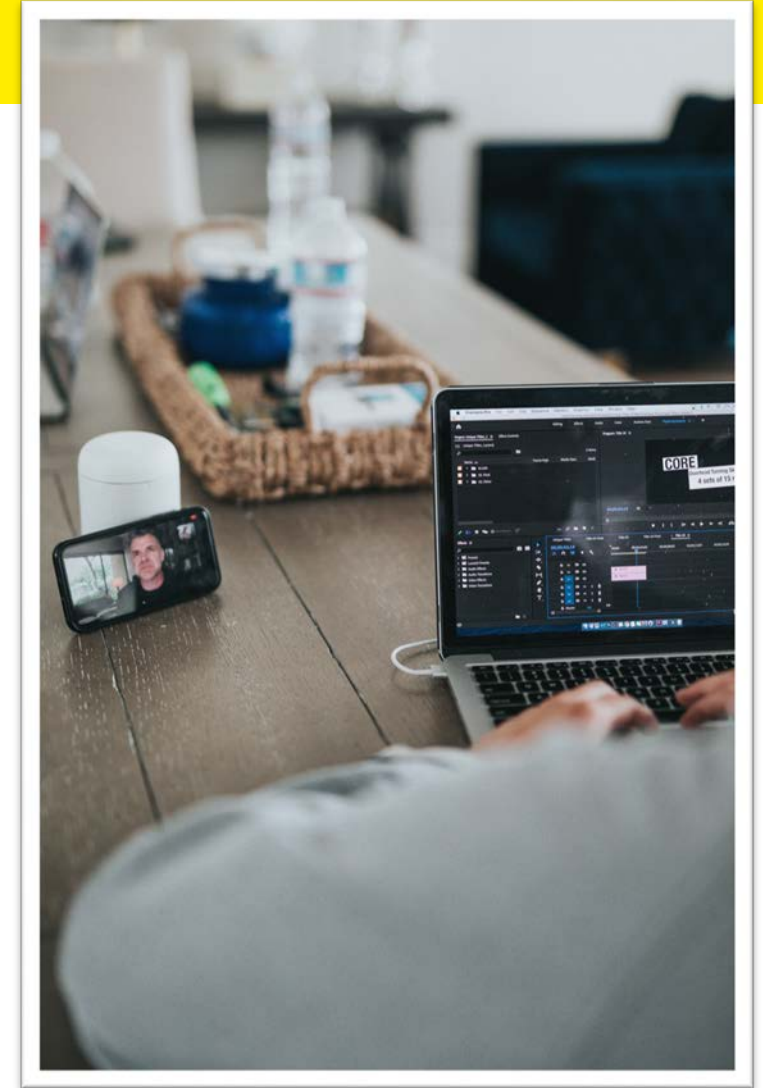
Location	Da Nang, Vietnam
Internship Provider	FPT University
Study Level	Undergraduate and Postgraduate
Study Areas	UG & PG Computer Science and IT
Duration	4-weeks
Dates	7 January – 5 February 2021
Cost	\$1,100 AUD
Funding Available?	\$1,100 AUD NCP grants available to eligible students

**FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS PROGRAM [HERE](#)**



# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- Like our in-country overseas internship programs, virtual internship programs have a cost
- The third party internship providers we work with still provide a comprehensive program, sourcing you a suitable host organisation, and adapting cultural and employability related activities to a virtual environment
- There are no OS HELP Loans available for virtual programs
- The cost for the program is in addition to any tuition fees payable for the unit you enrol in to with Swinburne



# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- Most programs have Australian Government **New Colombo Plan** grants available
- To be eligible for an NCP grant, you must:
  - Be an Australian citizen
  - Not be a citizen, or have residency rights, to the destination where the virtual experience is occurring
  - Be studying an undergraduate course
  - Students who have previously received a New Colombo Plan Grant for a semester or short-term program **ARE** eligible to *also* receive a grant for a virtual program
  - Be between the age of 18 – 28 years of age at the commencement of the program (there is a 30% buffer allowed for students outside of this age range)
- Funding is allocated once successful applications are received, until exhausted, but not paid until student is accepted into program and has made an initial deposit payment to the internship provider



# HOW TO APPLY

- Applications now open
- Application deadline 30 September
- Apply online via this link:  
<https://swinburne.aglobal.education/virtual-internships-application>





# QUESTIONS?

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