

## **Internships 2023 - 2024**

**School of Computer Science and Statistics** 

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## Purpose of the Internship Module

#### **Academic**

 To further develop the student's understanding of how the design and theoretical aspects of computer science are applied to practical problems within a real-world context.

#### **Professional**

 To gain relevant work experience. Build a professional network and build your reputation for performance.



## **Internship Pathway & Eligibility**

You must be on the Masters (MCS/MAI) track to take an Internship

- Internship is mandatory for MCS students
- Internship is optional for MAI students

### **Eligibility**

Students must have a minimum grade of II.1 at the first sitting of the Junior Sophister examinations

## Is the Masters worth doing?

- MSc Computing is best Masters degree to improve job prospects
- Paid internships
  - Work with a good quality employer
  - Build a long-term career network
- How does an MSc / Internship impact on your career
  - Immediately more employable
  - Over 70% students surveyed said they had been offered or intended to return to company on graduation
  - More interesting / challenging work
  - Faster promotion

## The Big Picture (1)

- Available to MCS and MAI students.
- You must actively sign up for the Masters.
- This is a great opportunity for you make sure you maximise it.
- You represent us Trinity College Dublin, SCSS & Engineering.
- You become an employee of your host for the duration of your internship.
- At the same time, you will be working to pursue your academic goals.
- Internship Window:
  - 5 8 Months, January 2023 July/August 2023

## The Big Picture (2)

- In Company
  - You have a company supervisor or mentor.
  - You do interesting & challenging work.
  - You have an academic liaison a member of staff in SCSS.
- Academically the Internship is 30 ECTS (50% of the 4th year result)
  - 40% Report 1: Goals, Reflective Journal, Project Management Report
  - 10% In-company Presentation
  - 50% Report 2: Design and Development Report

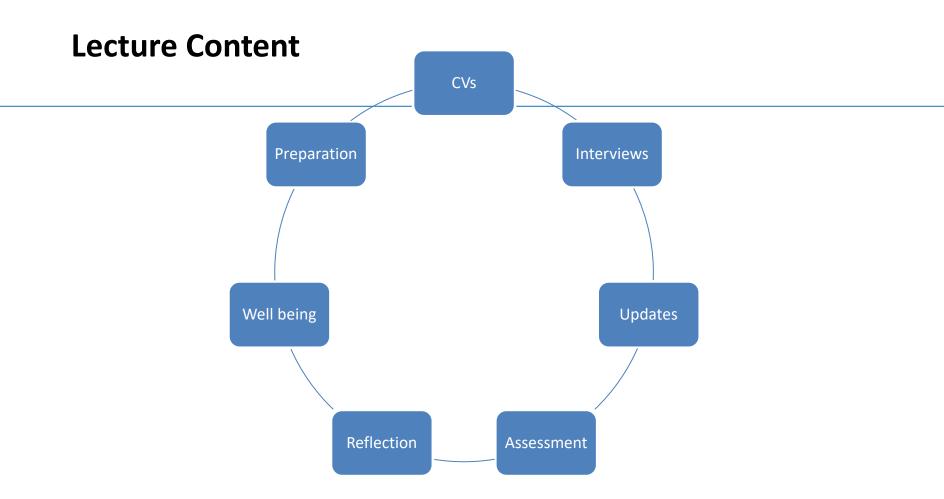
### **Representing TCD**



- The internship is an integral part of your education at TCD.
- Our reputation is part of the reason you obtained the internship.
- Please make every effort to maintain and enhance that reputation for yourself and future interns.
- Make every effort to be a useful and cooperative professional.
- Bear in mind that the patterns of work and behaviour are very different between College and the workplace example, time keeping!
- Remember you are TCD "ambassadors".

### **Learning Outcomes**

- Contribute to the design and development of systems at the forefront of computer science and critically evaluate their performance
- Apply theoretical knowledge in an industrial or research laboratory setting to solve real world problems
- Practice and further develop skills in communication, management and tea mwork
- Practice and further develop skills in time management and reporting within an industrial or research laboratory setting
- Contribute to an ethical and professional work culture



### The Process

You need to secure an internship January 2024, minimum of 5 months.

Companies with approved internship opportunities are added to the SCSS Internship Website.

Students apply directly to the companies they are interested in taking up a placement with

Each company uses their Normal HR process to hire Interns

Never accept an offer if you don't intend to take the position

Offers need to be complete by 30th November 2023 – Internship Agreement

### **SCSS Internship Website**

https://www.tcd.ie/scss/courses/undergraduate/internships-for-students/current-opportunities/

- Your company not listed get in touch!
- Students can start applying as soon as they are ready.
- Please don't apply for internships which you will not take.
- Once you've accepted an offer never rescind!
- Internship Handbook



## **Internship Sessions**

### Monday, 1pm – 2pm, LB01

- Sessions take place during Semester 1
- CV, cover letters, making applications
- Internship Speed Connect prep.
- Company updates
- Assessment details
- Company visits
- Practicalities student agreements etc
- 'What to expect' guest speaker
- Looking after yourself on placement







### **Internship Speed Connect**

Monday 2nd October, 1.30 - 5.00pm

- In-person event
- Opportunity to meet with multiple companies in a fun, fast-paced format.
- Prior to event students will book into slots with up to 12 companies.
- Networking opportunities during break.
- Attendance is mandatory.



## What our 2023 interns have to say:

### **Companies who hosted in 2023:**

Arista	Intel	Shutterstock	<u>BearingPoint</u>
<u>Edgescan</u>	HubSpot	Rapid7	CoinMetrics
<u>Ericsson</u>	Lexis Nexis	SIG (Susquehanna International Group)	Finbourne
<u>Fathom</u>	Mastercard	<u>Workday</u>	Amazon
<u>Fresco</u>	Murex	Unity	Microsoft
General Motors	Propylon	Xelda	Millennium
<u>Guidewire</u>	Travelport	Adapt	PwC

### What our 2023 interns have to say:

1. Would you recommend your host company to another student?

2. Have you been offered a job with or do you intend to return to your internship company after graduation??

97% Yes

71% Yes

### **Practicalities**

#### Blackboard

- Updates will be made via Announcements on Blackboard
- Slides and resources
- Internship Tri-Party Agreement

#### Student handbook 2023-2024

- Practical details on making applications
- Assessment Guidelines
- Submission details

Your Internship is not confirmed until Internship Agreement is complete.

It is your responsibility to return this to us signed by your company.



## **Next Steps**

Month	Activity	
September	<ul><li>Do your company research</li><li>Attend CV clinic</li><li>Attend Speed Connect</li></ul>	
October	<ul><li>Finalise your applications</li><li>Interviews</li></ul>	
November	<ul><li>Accept offer</li><li>Return signed Internship Agreement</li></ul>	
January (early)	Start internship	



## Keep in touch!

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### **Dr. Tim Savage**

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The internships email will reach both of us.

Do not hesitate to get in touch, if you have any questions or concerns.





# **Best of luck!**

