



# Academic Internship Council

## Looking to Complete a Critical Project or Task Completed?

## In Need of an Energetic and Skilled Student?

## Let Us Help!

The Academic Internship Council has partnered with the University of Toronto to place 50 computer science and engineering students with meaningful industry placements at Toronto workplaces. The students, Brazilian nationals, are participants in the Government of Brazil-sponsored **Ciência sem Fronteiras** (CsF - Science Without Borders) Scholarship Program, whose goal is to promote the expansion of science, technology and innovation in Brazil by means of international exchange and mobility. The program provides fully-funded study and practical internship placements, enabling students to further develop their competencies and skills.

The Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE), in collaboration with the Association of Universities and colleges of Canada (AUCC), administers the program in Canada.

### Student Skills & Interests

- 2nd, 3rd and 4th year students. Computer Science and Engineering Disciplines - Chemical; Civil; Computer; Electrical; Environmental; Industrial; Mechanical; and Mining.
- Students keen to gain practical experience with for-profit organizations; non-profit organizations and start-ups.
- Majority of the students possess university-based research and industrial experience.

### Internship Criteria

- Placements should relate to the student's program of study.
- Internship length is 14 to 16 weeks, May to August 2014. Internship must be full-time, with a minimum of 35 hours per week. No vacation time is permitted during the placement.
- The CsF Scholarship Program provides students with a stipend and living allowance. It is the sole discretion of the employer whether to provide additional payment and/or in-kind support to the student.
- Placement expectations and student goals to be discussed by the supervisor prior to internship start.
- The intern must have a designated supervisor/mentor, who is a qualified staff member within the organization. The student is to receive ongoing supervision, guidance and feedback from the mentor. Regular meetings with the student must be scheduled to follow up on their progress and to offer support and training to further develop their confidence and skills
- A mandatory final report template, provided by CBIE, is to be completed by each student. The placement supervisor is to sign the report, which confirms that all placement requirements were met.

### Next Steps

- Interested in creating an internship? Please contact our Student Placement Coordinators to review student skills, craft an internship profile and schedule an interview with our students.

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To Perspective Placement Supervisor,

Started in 2012, the Ciência sem Fronteiras (CsF) program is a nationwide scholarship initiative from the Brazilian government to support the collaborative study of science, technology and innovation through the mobility of 100,000 students from across Brazil. Started in 2012, the program is scheduled to run for at least four years with Canada hosting up to 12,000 students during this period for a combination of fully funded study and internship placements at institutions across the country.

The University of Toronto is currently hosting over 600 of the brightest young Brazilians for English language programming and university courses in the STEM disciplines. In summer 2014, these students will be looking to participate in research or industry internships to further their exposure to Canadian work and research. To secure the industry placements, the University of Toronto has partnered with the Academic Internship Council (AIC) to assist with finding internship placements that will offer meaningful experiences to CsF students. These assignments are to take place over 14 weeks between May 5th and August 31st for a fulltime work week (35 hours per week). As students are funded by the CsF program, their costs are covered by the program and not necessarily by the employer. Students also have the appropriate work permit so they can begin the internship without delay in May.

Should you have questions about the internship placements, please contact our AIC contact, Matt Byrnes at 416-527-4367. For information about the CsF program, contact the University of Toronto Centre for International Experience, Miranda Cheng at 416-946-3091, who would be happy to assist.

Thank you for your consideration.

All the best,

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