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Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Internships 2026/27 New Hiring

Description

CSIR is seeking highly motivated and talented interns to join our dynamic team. The internship program offers an exciting opportunity for individuals eager to gain hands-on experience in scientific research, industrial applications, and innovation. Interns will have the chance to work alongside leading scientists, engineers, and professionals, contributing to impactful projects that drive technological advancement and sustainable development.

Responsibilities

- Collaborate with research teams on ongoing projects, contributing ideas, and assisting in experimental design and execution.
- Conduct literature reviews, data collection, and analysis to support research initiatives.
- Assist in the development of prototypes, models, or experiments in line with project objectives.
- Engage in laboratory work, utilizing cutting-edge equipment and techniques under supervision.
- Prepare reports, presentations, and documentation summarizing project findings and outcomes.
- Participate in team meetings, workshops, and seminars to enhance learning and knowledge sharing.

Qualifications

- Currently enrolled in a Bachelor's, Master's, or Ph.D. program in a relevant field (e.g., Engineering, Science, Technology, etc.).
- Strong academic background with a passion for scientific research, innovation, and problem-solving.
- Excellent analytical skills and the ability to work both independently and collaboratively within a team.
- Proficiency in scientific methodologies, data analysis tools, and laboratory techniques is a plus.
- Effective communication skills, both written and verbal.
- Demonstrated initiative, creativity, and a desire to learn and contribute to impactful projects.

Job Benefits

- **Hands-on Experience:** Gain valuable hands-on experience working on real-world projects alongside experienced professionals in diverse scientific fields.
- **Learning Opportunities:** Access to cutting-edge technology, equipment, and resources, providing a unique opportunity to learn and apply the latest scientific methodologies and techniques.
- **Mentorship and Guidance:** Receive mentorship and guidance from industry experts, scientists, and researchers, fostering professional growth

Hiring organization

Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)

Employment Type

Intern

Duration of employment

3 Months

Industry

Research

Job Location

Pretoria, Gauteng, South Africa, 0001, Pretoria, Gauteng, South Africa

Working Hours

09

Date posted

June 16, 2026

Valid through

14.02.2028

and skill development.

- **Networking:** Build a network of contacts within the scientific community, connecting with professionals and peers in various disciplines, opening doors for future collaborations and opportunities.
- **Career Development:** Enhance your resume/CV with practical experience and skills acquired during the internship, increasing employability in the scientific and industrial sectors.
- **Exposure to Multidisciplinary Work:** Experience working in a multidisciplinary environment, collaborating with experts from different fields, broadening perspectives and problem-solving abilities.
- **Professional Development:** Participate in workshops, seminars, and training sessions aimed at developing both technical and soft skills crucial for success in the scientific and industrial sectors.
- **Contribution to Impactful Projects:** Contribute to meaningful research and innovation initiatives aimed at addressing real-world challenges and making a positive impact on society.
- **Flexibility and Support:** Experience a supportive and flexible work environment that encourages creativity, innovation, and personal growth.
- **Potential Career Pathways:** Gain insight into potential career pathways within CSIR or related industries, fostering a clearer understanding of future career goals and directions.
- **Stipend or Compensation:** Depending on the program, interns may receive a stipend or compensation for their contributions and dedication during the internship period.

Contacts

1. **Prepare Your Documents:** Ensure you have the following documents ready before applying:
 - Updated Resume/CV highlighting relevant academic and extracurricular experiences.
 - A well-crafted Cover Letter expressing your interest in the CSIR internship program, detailing your motivations, relevant skills, and how this opportunity aligns with your career aspirations.
 - Academic Transcripts or portfolios showcasing your academic achievements, projects, and any relevant work.
2. **Review Open Positions:** Visit the CSIR website or the designated application portal to review available internship positions and their respective descriptions. Identify the internship(s) that best match your skills, interests, and educational background.
3. **Submit Your Application:** Apply online through the CSIR's official application portal or submit your application documents via email to the specified contact address.
4. **Application Deadline:** Pay attention to the application deadlines for each internship opportunity. Ensure your application is submitted before the specified closing date to be considered for the selection process.
5. **Selection and Notification:** Applications will be reviewed by the CSIR team, and shortlisted candidates will be contacted for further assessments, interviews, or additional steps in the selection process.
6. **Interviews and Assessment:** Shortlisted candidates may be invited for interviews or additional assessments to evaluate their qualifications, skills, and fit for the internship program.
7. **Acceptance and Onboarding:** Successful candidates will be notified of their acceptance into the CSIR internship program. Upon acceptance, detailed instructions regarding the onboarding process, start dates, and any necessary documentation will be provided.