

Are you a graduate or post-graduate or are you about to graduate from your course in a Biomedical Sciences Related Subject?

Do you have a drive to make a difference to health and wealth outcomes in Northern Ireland by supporting network connections and innovation activities?

If so, the Health Innovation Research Alliance has a one-year Intern Position to support development of the Health and Life Sciences cluster in Northern Ireland.

This is a great opportunity to develop your skills, network across the Health & Life Sciences Ecosystem, and to learn insights into cluster development and health innovation with stakeholders across academia-industry-health.

You will work alongside diverse stakeholders and leaders drawn from across academia/industry/health, to co-ordinate knowledge exchange and influence innovation activities. Every day will be different, and the role will see you meet a diverse range of people to learn how to frame their challenges and support their future needs for collaboration, funding, and access to talent as the sector transforms over the next decade and beyond.

The closing date for applications is Monday 13th June 2022 at 4pm.

Interviews will take place between 22nd and 24th June inclusive. The anticipated starting date is 1st August 2022. A job description for the position is available below

Please email to info@hira-ni.com, with your current C.V. and a covering letter stating what has attracted you to apply for this position and the skills you wish to develop further. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

You can contact info@hira-ni.com with questions or to arrange to speak informally about the role.

HIRANI is an equal opportunities employer

Location: A mixture of working from home and the office in Belfast 2-3 days per week but be willing and able to travel to HIRANI meetings across Northern Ireland, as required.

Salary: £18,000 - £21,000 per Annum (depending on experience)

Anticipated Interview Date: to be arranged in the timeframe 22nd-24th June 2022

Anticipated start-date: 1st August 2022

Duration: 1 Year

This is a fixed term 1- year developmental role for a graduate or post graduate intern with the [Health Innovation Research Alliance Northern Ireland](#).

BACKGROUND to HIRANI:

HIRANI is a not-for-profit organisation, launched in 2019 to better integrate the academic and clinical institutions with Health and Life science businesses to positively impact translation, productivity, economic growth and deliver positive health outcomes for the citizens of Northern Ireland. It is formed by an alliance of Ulster University, Queen's

University Belfast, Invest-Northern Ireland, the Department of Health and Department of Economy.

In 2020, HIRANI was awarded >£1m over three years by Invest-Northern Ireland to foster economic growth, help speed up the delivery of health innovations to the public, and to continue to grow the ecosystem and the region's national and international standing. HIRANI is looking to appoint a Graduate or Post Graduate Intern.

BACKGROUND TO THE ROLE.

During the internship you will: -

- Gain insights into the Life sciences commercialisation pathway.
- Develop a strong network of relationships within the Northern Ireland Health and Life Sciences Ecosystem (NI H &LS Ecosystem) (funders, companies, universities, and the HSC) etc).
- Develop an understanding of the wider health and life sciences ecosystem and develop links in the UK, ROI, EU, and the rest of world.
- Create, manage, and monitor delivery plans, and projects that will help to create a vibrant health and life sciences cluster in NI.
- Support the delivery of online and in-person events and marketing communications, learning how to present to small and large audiences.
- Develop an understanding of the culture of a wide range of organisations e.g., universities, HSC, NHS, and corporates in the (NI H&LS Ecosystem) and beyond.
- Develop knowledge of how to build and manage strategic partnerships including influencing skills, drivers, barriers, and opportunities.
- Understand how to think differently and try out new ideas.

MAJOR DUTIES:

1. Read and write reports, data gathering and analysis, running surveys.
2. Help develop professional communications and marketing materials to support HIRANI activities e.g., PowerPoint presentations, website content, LinkedIn, and twitter posts.
3. Plan and assist with delivery of meetings, workshops, and events for HIRANI stakeholders within specified timescales.
4. Assist in the delivery and development of HIRANI projects at high quality and pace in a challenging environment.
5. Other duties as required such as diary management and arranging travel.

ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Have or are about to obtain a degree or higher degree in a Biomedical Sciences related subject, preferably with an interest in medical engineering, healthcare analytics and/or diagnostics.
- A basic knowledge of the health innovation lifecycle and diverse drivers and challenges for each stakeholder.
- Evidence of building productive professional relationships to deliver projects, including influencing peers and other stakeholders.
- Evidence of planning and implementing an event, a project, or a report.

- Digital skills – such as use of Microsoft office, social media, Audio-visual meetings (e.g., Zoom or other) and websites.
- Good written and oral communication skills such as writing reports and delivering oral presentations.
- Be highly organised.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

1. Relevant work experience, paid or unpaid, including experience gained via work placements during studies.

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