

FOOD AND BEVERAGE DEVELOPMENT FUND SA INC

University of South Australia

Nutrition & Food Sciences Work Placements



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Dear Industry Colleagues

Food & Beverage Development Fund are assisting University of South Australia to find suitable work placements for the 2nd year students in the Nutrition and Food Sciences area.

We are seeking expressions of interest from organisations in the food industry who are able to mentor a student or students and offer a work placement of 6-8 weeks between November 2008 and February 2009.

Suggested mentoring and work placement format would include:

- ☐ Student selection based on application or interview process.
- ☐ Mentors meet students and share their experiences and interests.
- ☐ Student is provided a placement of 6-8 weeks in the company of the mentor.
- ☐ Student is presented with a specific problem to solve or is given training or experience in the different areas of the company. It would be preferable if the student obtained remuneration at this stage noting that \$300/week would match research laboratory summer scholarships.
- ☐ Student to complete a journal and report that describes the company and the objectives of the placement.
- ☐ Student to provide an oral presentation to the company at the end of their placement.
- ☐ Performance of the student will be assessed by the mentor. This will involve consideration of the student's punctuality and proficiency.
- ☐ The quality of the journal and report will be assessed by the industry mentor and a university staff member.
- ☐ Student and mentor to receive a certificate of participation from the University.

The proposed work placement format is consistent with the universities new direction towards experiential learning and will integrate effectively with the development of the course entitled Professional Enrichment (which may remove any insurance issues for the host organisation).

If you are interested in mentoring a student and are able to provide a work placement position please contact Carol Graham via email carol@foodandbeveragefundsau.com.au

Should you require further information please contact Carol Graham, Food & Beverage Development Fund Executive Officer on 08 83629066 or Assoc Professor Stuart Andrews, University of South Australia on 08 83021128.

Thankyou for your consideration of this request. We look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

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