

## Opportunity to work with technology- and science-focused startups at the University of Arizona Center for Innovation (UACI)

### Intern Opportunity (UACI)

The **University of Arizona Center for Innovation (UACI)** is an incubator that fosters scalable, science and technology startup companies. UACI has locations at the UA Tech Park on Rita Road and I-10 in Tucson, Arizona and in Oro Valley, Arizona. UACI currently operates in a hybrid environment.

UACI supports the efforts of startup and emerging ventures in completing their technology validation and commercial feasibility to get ready for market entry. The internship program at UACI provides an excellent opportunity for students to get real life, hands-on experience in a highly entrepreneurial and high-tech environment. The intern will gain insight on how technology and science innovations move towards commercialization.

This opportunity is connected to the Growth Accelerator Fund Competition, funded by the US Small Business Administration and has a focus to encourage female-identifying STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) students to work with STEM-focused startups in pursuit of federal funding opportunities. Startup ventures at UACI span a wide range from IT to materials and optical sciences and life sciences. The commonality with those ventures is that they are innovative and can benefit from students that ideally combine business with technical and science background or interest.

### **Internship Opportunities:**

UACI interns will provide support for various market research and data analysis projects for startups. The goal of this paid internship is to gather data and information for startup companies currently at UACI to help them pursue federal funding opportunities. The deliverables are in the form of reports (such as Microsoft Excel or Word depending on the project).

The selected candidate may assist with the following **tasks**:

- Various data analysis projects
- Research markets related to a given startup's industry
- Identify potential customer targets for a given startup
- Analyze information found to help a given startup make sense of the data

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- Write research briefs for both a technical and business audience

The ideal candidate for this position will have the following **qualifications**:

- Pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering and/or math.
- Understanding of data analysis concepts
- Interest in entrepreneurship concepts.
- Independent and self-starter
- Proficiency in MS Office; especially Excel

**Intern Program Requirements:**

- Work hours will be agreed on between the UACI and the intern (typically about 10-12 hours per week)
- Participation in intern orientation and training for this position is mandatory
- Interns will provide a written deliverable, appropriate to their project/s
- Interns will provide copies of presentations, deliverables, and any back up research to their mentor
- The internship will take place in a hybrid environment and student needs to have access to technology as well as transportation

**Start Date:** January 17, 2022

**Rate:** \$13.00 per hour

**For more information and to apply:**

Email Casey Carrillo, [ccarrillo@uacenterforinnovation.org](mailto:ccarrillo@uacenterforinnovation.org), if interested.

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