



Job Title: Design Internship

Unit/School: PDR

Grade: 1A

HERA: PDR55

Core purpose of role

PDR (The International Centre for Design and Development Research) is a major award winning, multidisciplinary design consultancy and research centre with a global client base.

Design internships at PDR directly support live project work with clients for the development of new products and services and can fit within various areas of the commercial consulting innovation team. Opportunities for contribution are varied and can encompass user insight and user centred design and service design activities through to industrial, product design and mechanical engineering work.

Within this role, you will work closely as part of the design team, heavily supported and with a carefully selected mentor to help build your expertise and understanding to accomplish the following:

Key responsibilities and contributions

- To support PDR's UCD and design teams deliver successful outputs for PDR's design consultancy operation.
- Perform both market and user research to support live commercial projects.
- Participate in team meetings and brainstorming sessions.
- Visually communicate ideas to the design team.
- Conceptualise and build prototype samples and models.
- Adhere to ISO 9001 procedures within PDR.
- Other duties that may be reasonably assigned by the Senior Design Consultant or Product Design Manager.

Person specification

Essential qualifications / Professional memberships

- A design-related or engineering related discipline at degree level.



Essential experience, knowledge and skills

1. Knowledge of one design or engineering related discipline such as product or industrial design, mechanical engineering, UCD etc.
2. Knowledge of UCD and/or design processes.
3. Excellent organisation skills with good time management.
4. Excellent communication skills, both written and oral.
5. Team player with good Interpersonal skills.
6. Proactive and keen to share ideas.
7. Good visual presentation skills and the ability to communicate complex subject matter effectively through visual means.
8. Ability to work independently and autonomously.
9. Ability to deliver or contribute to group and individual presentations/discussions.
10. Ability to handle confidential information appropriately.
11. Computer literate.
12. Willingness to travel to off-site locations.

Desirable

1. Masters level qualification in a relevant product design or UCD discipline.
2. Knowledge of appropriate computer-based user research, or, 3D design packages.
3. Experience of some form of commercial design project.

Welsh skill requirements

Welsh is essential to our students and staff and is a key part of our provision and services. For every position at Cardiff Met, proficiency in Welsh language is either essential or desirable. You can find information about the levels by viewing our booklet: [Welsh language skills levels](#). If a skill is listed as essential in the table below, please ensure you demonstrate this in your online application form.

Language level and general descriptor	Listening	Reading	Speaking	Writing
A1 – Beginner Can understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases in Welsh.	Desirable	Desirable	Desirable	Desirable
A2 - Basic user Can deal with simple, straightforward information and communicate in basic Welsh.				
B1 - Intermediate user Can communicate, to a limited level, in Welsh about things that are familiar and/or work related.				
B2 - Upper intermediate user Can express myself in Welsh on a range of topics and understand most of a conversation with a native speaker.				
C1 - Fluent user Can communicate fluently in Welsh.				
C2 - Master user Can communicate fluently on complex and specialist matters in Welsh.				

Disclosure & Barring Service requirements

This post does not require a DBS check.



Supporting information

The University is a dynamic organisation and changes may be required from time to time. This job description and person specification is not intended to be exhaustive.

The University is committed to the highest ethical and professional standards of conduct. Therefore, all employees are expected to have due regard for the impact of their personal behaviour and conduct on the University, students, colleagues, business stakeholders and our community. Each employee must demonstrate adherence to our Code of Professional Conduct. In addition, all employees should have particular regard for their responsibilities under Cardiff Metropolitan University's policies and procedures.