

INTERSHIPS OPPORTUNITY FOR ARCHITECTURE STUDENTS AT BENOY HONG KONG

1. DESCRIPTION

Benoy, an award-winning international firm of architects, planners, interior architects and graphic designers, has started a collaboration with the University of Auckland and is pleased to offer internship opportunities in their Hong Kong offices to high calibre students enrolled in the Architecture programmes at the School of Architecture and Planning.

The internship programme will give the students the opportunity to work closely with architects and interior designers on real projects, supporting studio activities through design research, design studies, presentations preparation, drafting, etc. Students will be supervised by a mentor from Benoy who will guide them through their project, as well as their day-to-day interaction with the design practice.

Alongside their daily routine, students will also work on an individual research on a topic of their choice which will occupy up to 20% of their time. The individual topic could be related to the student's MArch(Prof) thesis (or be tangential to it) or be related to other research and essays to be prepared for the completion of their studies at the University of Auckland. At the end of their internship, each student will present their individual project in a forum.

2. PERIOD OF INTERNSHIP

The internship will take place during the Summer School 2018 (4th January -14th February 2018), but a longer period could be agreed with Benoy, starting in December 2017.

3. ELIGIBILITY

Only 3rd year BAS students and 1st year MArch(Prof) students are eligible to apply for the internship.

4. KEY DATES

- 4th August 2017 – Applications due to the School of Architecture and Planning;
- By the end of August – CAI preliminary selection and recommendations to Benoy;
- September 2017– Interviews with Benoy by video conference;
- January/February – Internship at Benoy Hong Kong.

5. SUBMISSIONS

Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae and a portfolio (innovative applications such as videos, as much as PDFs of drawings and photographs of models) of their student and personal design works via email to Lizzie Luamanu, Academic Services Coordinator for the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries (lizzie.luamanu@auckland.ac.nz). Documents must be provided in digital version only (please use links to dropbox or google drive or similar). Printed versions won't be taken into consideration.

6. IMPORTANT NOTES

Financial support: students must make independent financial arrangements to cover all the costs associated with the internship.

A small remuneration will be provided by Benoy to the students during their internship (this will be discussed during the interview with Benoy).

Neither Benoy nor the University of Auckland is responsible for:

- costs of airfares;
- costs associated with the visa arrangements and release;
- any other costs related to the students' accommodation and expenses during the whole duration of the internship.

Accommodation: students must make their own accommodation arrangements during the internship. Neither Benoy nor the University of Auckland is responsible for finding or providing any accommodation.

Insurance: students must make their own insurance arrangements (health, travel, etc.) during the internship. Neither Benoy nor the University of Auckland is responsible for providing any insurance or considered accountable in any case.

Visa requirements: students must be eligible to work in Hong Kong, either through residency or students visa. No visa support or assistance will be provided by Benoy or by the University of Auckland.

7. FURTHER INFORMATION

For any additional information, please send an email to Dr Paola Boarin (p.boarin@aukland.ac.nz).