

Bring Your Own Internship (BYO)

What is a BYO Internship?

Do you have an organisation in mind that you would like to complete your Community Internship with. You can apply to bring your own!

A BYO internship requires you to approach and secure your own Community Internship. Once you have confirmed their interest, The Community Internship Team (CI Team) will work hard to lock in your chosen Internship.

How does it work?

Students approach an organisation of their choosing and providing it's non for profit and have a strong focus in one of the following areas, we can approve your chosen Internship!

- **Social Responsibility:** marginalised individuals, families, or communities (community development focus)
- **Environmental Responsibility:** preservation of flora and fauna
- **Cultural Diversity:** multiculturalism and cross-cultural understanding
- **Sustainability:** aligns with UN Sustainable Development Goals, 'meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs' (UN, 1987)

Keep in mind - it's important that your potential BYO organisation is willing to support you during your experience. Here are some topics to consider discussing with them:

- The internship is an unpaid work experience opportunity and must comply with course requirements.
- If your BYO organisation is your employer, your internship MUST differ significantly from the roles and responsibilities of your paid employment position.
- If an employment relationship exists (you are being paid by the organisation) the day/s of your internship must be unpaid.

Have a BYO organisation in mind?

Please contact us at ci-course@griffith.edu.au for the next steps.