

Bachelor programme for Business Economics and Information Technology

University of Southern Denmark

6th semester - Internship (30 ECTS)

The internship takes place in the 6th semester. During the internship the student is affiliated with one or more private or public organizations.

The aim of the internship is to provide the student with a practical understanding of how the different theories and concepts developed in the Business Economics and Information Technology programme can be applied to specific organizational environments.

The internship allows the student to continue the specialization and reflection process from the previous semester. It is also an opportunity to find a problem area for the bachelor project.

Content:

Application of theories, concepts and models from the previous courses in the programme to a specific problem related to the internship company or organization.

The student should get insight into:

- the company structure and organization
- work functions
- internal and external collaborators

The internship can form the basis for the student's final project and can be planned to allow both flexibility and differentiation. The internship is unpaid.

The student – in collaboration with the organization and the institution – sets the learning objectives for the internship based on the objectives listed below.

The learning objectives of the internship are:

- 1) to develop a set of personal objectives and goals for the work experience.
- 2) to gain insight into what organizations expect and require of the student's knowledge, skills and attitudes toward work.
- 3) to experience everyday life and job assignments over a substantial period of time in the profession.
- 4) to work with issues related to Business Economics and/or Information Technology in line with own learning objectives.
- 5) evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the company and its resources.

- 6) assume the role of an internal employee, external consultant, or entrepreneur.
- 7) create a network of contacts in the company or business area .
- 8) present recommendations to the organization, based on extensive internal and/or external research
- 9) for the student to try out in practice – and reflect upon – the knowledge and skills gained through the Business Economics and Information Technology Programme.

The internship covers 30 working hours in a 20-week period from January/February to June, during which the student must work in the company/organization for at least 30 hours per week. SDU assigns a supervisor to each student who will conduct meetings at the company/organization where the internship takes place with the participation of the student, the contact person from the company and the supervisor.

The total workload: Internship 580 hours Process report 200 hours.

Form of examination

The exam is internal and aims at assessing the student's individual learning objectives set by the student and the involved organization and institution prior to entering the internship.

The student must hand-in an individual process report not later than one week after finishing the internship. In the report the student must describe and analyze the topics that the student has been working with during the internship. Furthermore, the student has to describe the theoretically concepts applied on practical topics in the company. The process report must be of maximum 15 pages.

The examination is a 30 minutes oral test. Based on the process report the student must account for the substance of the period of internship. The presentation is made as a power point presentation. The final evaluation (passed/not passed) is based on both the written and the oral performance. Internal second examiner.

Examination conditions:

Passed first year exam. Completed 20-week internship of 30 hours per week.

Time of examination:

Depending on the time of end internship. The exam can be in June or August/September. Participation in re-exam requires participation in ordinary exam.