

# Graduate Work Placement

Federation University Australia (FUA) Information Technology graduates are now able to study a new Graduate Certificate while working with companies organised through the **ATMC Graduate Work Placement initiative.**

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# Work Placement at IBM

## ATMC Graduate Work Placement initiative.

This initiative has been developed jointly by **FUA, The Australian Computer Society (ACS)** and the **ATMC**. The Australian Computer Society CEO, Alan Patterson, welcomed the joint initiative as a tangible example of the ACS's commitment to engage in "greater collaboration between the education and training system, careers advisors, employers and the ICT professional body. This particular program, leads the way in enabling the demand side in particular – the employers – in taking a greater role in helping shape education outcomes".

"This new program is a great opportunity for our Information Technology graduates to build on their professional development", Professor John Yearwood, Dean of the School of Science, Information Technology and Engineering, said. "We welcome the involvement of the Australian Technical Management College (ATMC) in this project. The University is pleased to welcome the additional students from the ATMC and would encourage all prospective students to contact the ATMC for more information about this program," Professor Yearwood said.

Two students from the ATMC in Melbourne commenced with IBM in 2014. They are Zenon D'silva and Su Zeng. Dr Manish Malhotra, CEO of the ATMC, also supported the initiative. "This is the start of an ongoing program to combine excellent academic outcomes with the relevant professional development. The Graduate Certificate will benefit many of our international ATMC IT students studying in Sydney, Melbourne and Geelong", Dr Malhotra said.

## Student Testimonials

### Zenon D'silva



Zenon from Goa in India studied a Bachelor of Science (Biotechnology) in India before completing a Masters of Information Systems at the ATMC in Melbourne. His long term career goal is to establish himself as a Business Analyst with progression over the years earning a respectable management position.

"I was impressed by my agent's recommendation to study at the ATMC based on ATMC's excellent teaching facilities, student support services and job placement assistance. The small class sizes and excellent staff at the ATMC make teaching and learning much more effective. The staff are approachable and always willing to assist students."

### Su Zeng



Su is Chinese and lived in Singapore before completing a Masters of Business Information Systems at the ATMC in Melbourne.

"ATMC has fast track programs and a high 'staff to student ratio' which allowed me to complete my study in a timely manner and also allowed me to gain effective academic assistance from the staff. ATMC is widely recognised domestically and internationally. ATMC's organisational structure provides access to a variety of resources for students resulting in an effective learning experience. As an international student who has so far developed only a small network in Australia it is valuable for me to undertake a work placement which expands my network and helps me approach large corporations. The ATMC provides assistance to place students into large organisations, which is rarely seen in other institutions. I have found this particularly valuable."