

Individual research internship instead of a think tank

Effective from 1 September 2025

Content

Because you do this internship instead of a think tank, you will work on the same learning objectives as during the think tank. This means that during your internship you will not only work on an existing research project within a research group that is related to the theme of the minor, but will also work on making the societal relevance of this project visible (valorisation).

Learning objectives

After your internship you can:

- make the societal relevance of a scientific research project visible in daily research practice;
- in consultation with the supervisor and the research group, draw up a research plan for a research project in which you define and delineate the project and describe and plan the activities;
- in consultation with the supervisor and the research group, divide and carry out the activities, working together constructively;
- present the outcomes of the research in a clear and societally relevant way;
- reflect on your own qualities and your development in working in a research group and on the research process.

Completion

1. Research plan & scientific output

*The focus of your internship will be on doing scientific research on a societally relevant question. In the **research plan** you describe the structure of your research, discuss the relevance of your question in relation to the theme of the minor or your study programme and explain how you want to work (incl. time schedule). Together with your supervisor you decide what **scientific output** has to be delivered in the end (dataset, transcriptions, ...), because this may vary depending on the project you are participating in. In order to achieve the learning objectives it is important that a (first) analysis of the data you worked on is also part of the scientific output.*

2. Final product

With the help of the research plan, you will ultimately come up with an answer to the research question which you then need to present in a clear and societally relevant way. You can be as creative as you like: the final product does not have to be a written product, but can also be a poster, infographic, video, animation, etc. Discuss this with your supervisor beforehand.

When choosing the form and content of the final product, clearly keep the intended recipients (the general public) in mind.

- Final product:
 - a. submit the final product;
 - b. give a brief explanation, in which you reflect, among other things, on the intended recipients as well as the intended medium and the choices you have made in order to design a final product that is suitable for that audience and medium.
- Final product report:
 - a. Submit a brief overview of how the presentation of the final product went

- b. briefly describe the points for improvement in the presentation and the opportunities that exist to bring the product to the attention of a wider public.

3. Evaluation

At the end of your internship, you will reflect on your internship in a short report. This evaluation contains the following:

- a brief overview of what you learned from working as a team;
- a brief overview of what you learned during the research process;
- a brief overview of what you learned from the setbacks and failures during this process.

Assessment

The portfolio and the final product will be assessed with a pass/fail, including your performance within the research group (see feedback form on the next page).

Feedback by the supervisor

This form must be completed by the supervisor, after consultation with the intern at the end of the internship.

Name intern:

Name supervisor:

Organisation:

Research project or group:

Internship period (dd/mm/yyyy): ___/___/___ - ___/___/___

Aspects	Above expectation	Good	Sufficient	Insufficient
<i>Knowledge</i>				
a. Theoretical insight	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Connecting knowledge to current societal issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Attitude</i>				
a. Towards supervisor and colleagues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Effort and independence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Dealing with feedback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Working ethics</i>				
a. Pace and accuracy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Originality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Scientific output (analysis)</i>				
a. Academic content	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Target group/conventions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Final product</i>				
a. Satisfied the demand	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Processing of feedback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Presentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Personal (academic) development</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Conclusion (overall)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Remarks

Place:

Date:

Signature:

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Name student:

Student number:

Name supervisor (RU):

Assessment criteria	Pass	Fail
<i>Research plan</i>		
a. research set-up	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. discussion of the societal relevance in relation to the theme of the minor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. time schedule	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Feedback form supervisor</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Scientific output</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Final product</i>		
a. Final product incl. explanation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Overview and evaluation presentation final product	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Evaluation</i>		
a. Overview and evaluation working in a team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Overview and evaluation research process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Overview and evaluation dealing with setbacks and failures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Feedback
<u>Carrying out the research</u>
<u>Final product</u>
<u>Self-reflection</u>

Final assessment

pass

fail

Place:

Date:

Signature: