



Gold Coast Health **LEAP** Program

Biostatistician Intern

Gold Coast University Hospital

An opportunity exists in the Research Development team for one Intern. This opportunity will be supervised by Ian Hughes, Biostatistician.

Background

Gold Coast Health (GCH) is a rapidly growing healthcare service that is dedicated to providing exceptional, patient-centred care of the highest quality. Our three hospitals and numerous community facilities are staffed by a team of passionate and talented individuals who are committed to making a positive impact on the lives of our patients.

For those who are seeking to jumpstart their careers, our non-clinical Learning Experience Academic Placement program (LEAP), offers a unique opportunity to gain invaluable experience in a dynamic and challenging industry. Whether you're just starting out or looking to make a career change, the LEAP program is the perfect opportunity to take your first step towards a rewarding and fulfilling career in healthcare.

If you're ready to make a real difference and gain valuable work experience in the process, apply for a non-clinical internship with Gold Coast Health today!

About the Team

The Research Development team within the Research Office is part of DT&R (Digital Transformation and Research) at Gold Coast Health. The team, which includes the library, is dedicated to enabling research at Gold Coast Health by providing assistance and support for the development of research ideas through help with study design, protocol and grant writing, literature searching, and biostatistical education, analysis, and interpretation. The Research Development team also administers the Gold Coast Health Collaborative Grants Scheme.

About the Role/Project

The Biostatistician Intern will be based at Gold Coast University Hospital and assist the Biostatistician in supporting research at Gold Coast Health. Working under the guidance of experienced researchers and statisticians, the intern will assist clinician-researchers in designing studies, writing protocols, performing data analysis, interpreting results, and

communicating those findings. This role provides an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on experience as a biostatistician working with clinician-researchers using real-world healthcare datasets and contribute to impactful research that improves patient outcomes.

What we are looking for

We are seeking a current student with a strong foundation in statistics or biostatistics who is planning a career in biostatistics and looking to gain on-the-job experience as a biostatistician. The applicant should be a motivated and detail-oriented problem solver with strong communication skills, both written and verbal. These are essential as the role involves communicating with multidisciplinary healthcare teams, assistance with protocol writing, and presenting and interpreting statistical results. A proactive mindset, willingness to learn, ability to quickly understand new medical or healthcare concepts, and to communicate statistical principles and methods to clinician-researchers will set you apart. Prior experience with healthcare data, the process of research, and the statistical software Stata is advantageous but not essential.

Area of Study

While not exclusively limited to, this opportunity would be best suited to later year undergraduate or masters-level students studying:

- Biostatistics, Statistics or Data Science.

Requirements and Time Commitment

- Intake 1: 02 March to 22 May 2026.
- 1 day placement per week for 12 weeks.
- Applicants must be currently enrolled at a tertiary institution to be eligible to participate.
- A signed indemnity insurance form from your tertiary institution will be required prior to commencement if successful.

**Please note the time commitment may be negotiated to align with semester dates for academic credit where possible.*

Accessibility

At Gold Coast Health, we value and celebrate the diversity of our employees and are dedicated to creating a workforce that reflects the diverse community we serve. Our Diversity and Inclusion team is always available to provide support and guidance to all employees and will promptly facilitate reasonable adjustments upon request.

Enquiries and submission

For more information and to apply please contact your University Work Integrated Learning (WIL) Coordinator or Career Development Team.

Please include the following materials in your application:

- Current resume

- Contact details of 2 referees
- Academic transcript
- Cover letter (no more than 1-2 pages) outlining what you hope to gain from the experience.

Applications close: Midnight Monday, 05 January 2026

Please note: Shortlisted candidates will be contacted by a private phone number or via email.