



Gold Coast Health **LEAP** Program

Communications and Content Intern

Gold Coast University Hospital

An opportunity exists in the Strategy and Health Service Planning team for two Interns. This opportunity will be supervised by Sharon Woods, Planning Team Manager.

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 two 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 Strategy and Health Service Planning team at Gold Coast University Hospital plays a vital role in shaping the future of healthcare delivery across the Gold Coast region. Our team is responsible for leading strategic initiatives, developing service plans, and aligning health services with the needs of our growing and diverse community.

We work closely with clinical teams, executive leadership, and external stakeholders to ensure health services are evidence-based, future-focused, and sustainable. This includes analysing data and population health trends, identifying service gaps, and supporting business case development to guide investment and infrastructure planning.

About the Role/Project

This internship will provide valuable support to the Strategy and Health Service Planning team at Gold Coast University Hospital.

The successful candidate will assist with the development, publication, and dissemination of a range of planning and strategy-related outputs. Key responsibilities include:

- Supporting the **creation and delivery** of reports, publications, and online content
- **Engaging with stakeholders** to gather and refine content
- **Writing and editing** content for clarity, consistency, and impact
- Providing **input into the design** and formatting of communication outputs
- Assisting with **publishing and distribution** across various internal and external platforms

For students with a background or interest in data, there may also be opportunities to contribute to:

- **Basic data analysis**, visualisation, or modelling
- Assisting in translating complex data into user-friendly formats and insights

What we are looking for

This is a unique opportunity for a student to gain hands-on experience in a real-world health planning environment. It is ideal for a student with a strong interest in communications, publishing, and strategic storytelling-particularly within a healthcare or public sector context. It will suit someone with strong writing skills, attention to detail, creative thinking, and an interest in making information meaningful and accessible to a wide audience.

Area of Study

While not exclusively limited to, this opportunity would be best suited to students studying:

- Communications / Journalism
- Public Relations
- Creative Writing
- Media

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.