

Digital Forensic Graduate Internship Programme

Location: Pretoria

Number of Positions: Approximately 10 internship positions

Service Period: 1-year internship contract, with an option to extend subject to operational requirements and satisfactory performance

Remuneration: Paid internship

Closing date: 30 October 2026

About the Internship Programme

We are inviting applications for approximately 10 graduate internship positions within a specialised Digital Forensic Laboratory. The programme is aimed at graduates who hold a three-year degree or diploma in Information Technology, Digital Forensics, Forensic Investigation, Cybersecurity, Computer Science, or a closely related field.

Successful interns will be exposed to and trained in the use of leading digital forensic tools, technologies, laboratory processes, and investigative methodologies. Interns will gain practical exposure to a wide range of digital forensic scenarios, including network-related evidence, mobile and cellphone devices, laptops, desktops, removable media, cloud-based information, and other forms of digital evidence encountered in investigations.

Programme Focus Areas

Digital Forensic Tools and Laboratory Practice

Interns will receive practical exposure to leading digital forensic tools and laboratory procedures used for the identification, preservation, acquisition, processing, analysis, and reporting of digital evidence.

Investigative Methodologies

The programme will introduce interns to recognised investigative methodologies, evidence-handling principles, chain-of-custody requirements, report-writing

standards, case documentation, quality controls, and ethical practices within a forensic investigation environment.

Exposure to Digital Forensic Scenarios

Interns will be exposed to a broad scope of digital forensic scenarios, including matters involving networks, mobile and cellphone devices, laptops, desktops, storage devices, emails, user activity, system artefacts, and other technology-assisted investigative environments.

Professional Development

The internship will provide structured learning, mentorship, supervised practical assignments, and exposure to professional standards expected in a specialised digital forensic environment.

Minimum Requirements

- A completed three-year degree or diploma in Information Technology, Digital Forensics, Forensic Investigation, Cybersecurity, Computer Science, or a closely related field.
- An interest in digital forensics, cyber investigations, forensic technology, data analysis, information security, or investigative work.
- Basic understanding of computer systems, networks, operating systems, mobile devices, databases, or cybersecurity concepts will be advantageous.
- Strong analytical thinking, attention to detail, problem-solving ability, and willingness to learn specialised forensic processes.
- Good written and verbal communication skills, including the ability to document findings clearly and accurately.
- High ethical standards and the ability to maintain confidentiality, objectivity, professionalism, and integrity when dealing with sensitive information.

Advantageous Attributes

- Exposure to forensic investigation, cybersecurity, programming, scripting, networking, systems administration, databases, or data analytics.
- Basic knowledge of digital evidence principles, cybercrime, information security, or investigative report writing.
- Willingness to work in a structured laboratory environment and follow documented procedures, quality controls, and evidence-handling protocols.
- A commitment to continuous learning and professional development in digital forensics and investigations.

What the Internship Offers

- A paid, 1-year structured internship programme where interns will receive a salary, with an option to extend subject to operational requirements and satisfactory performance.
- Exposure to real-world digital forensic laboratory processes, tools, technologies, and investigative methodologies.
- Practical learning across a wide scope of forensic scenarios, including networks, mobile and cellphone devices, laptops, desktops, and other digital evidence sources.
- Mentorship and professional development in a specialised, confidential, and high-integrity forensic environment.

How to Apply

Applicants should submit their CV, certified copies of qualifications, and a brief cover letter outlining their interest in digital forensics, investigations, cybersecurity, or forensic technology to:

Info@dfsa.org.za

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted