

# Disability Confident

# Programs

PACE Mentoring and Stepping Into



### **Session Overview**

- Australian Network on Disability
   Our member organisations
- PACE Mentoring Program
   12 week professional mentoring
- Stepping Into Internship Program
   Paid work experience placements
- Sharing Information
   Disability Management in the Workplace
   Workplace Adjustments



### **About AND**

- We are a member-based organisation
- We are not a recruitment agency
- We are not a charity

#### **OUR PURPOSE**

To advance the equitable inclusion of people with disability in all aspects of business

#### **OUR VISION**

To create a disability confident Australia as a national peak body.

#### **OUR MISSION**

To provide expert advice and services on disability to employers, Government representatives and industry bodies



















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## Our Programs







## **PACE Mentoring**





## **PACE** Mentoring



### Mentors

Have volunteered their time to participate in PACE

 Want to share their work and life experiences with their mentee

 There to support mentees to reach their goals for the program





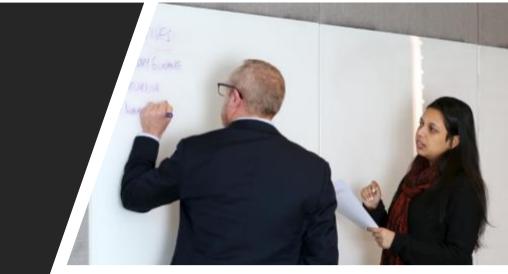


## PACE Mentee - Program Commitment

- Be available to participate from April to July (Autumn) or September to December (Spring)
- Attend 6-8 face-to-face meetings with their mentor during program (typically 1-2 hours)
- Attend the meetings at their mentors workplace
- Lead the meetings— arrange meeting times, set the agenda, discuss their goals, follow up etc.
- Attend the mentee briefing, mid program check-in and the end of program networking event (1 hour each)
- Complete the Program Agreement with their mentor

## Meeting ideas

- Setting expectations / goals
- How the business works
- Career development networking (LinkedIn)
- Communication skills
- Mock interviews
- Job application practice
- Dress codes
- Plan of action post PACE







## Stepping Into





## **About Stepping Into**

- Paid internship in Winter or Summer university break
- Degree-relevant work experience
- Develop skills, build network, enhance your resume

#### **HOW DID STEPPING INTO BEGIN?**

AND partnered with Sparke Helmore Lawyers to offer clerkships exclusively to law students with disability in 2005.

#### **HOW DOES IT WORK?**

Employers offer opportunities for students with disability to gain work experience in various disciplines.

#### WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

Interview experience, a supportive recruitment process, valuable feedback, and degree-relevant work.



## **Timesframes**

#### **SUMMER**

- August-September: Applications open
- October-November: Interviews
- December-February: Placements commence

#### **WINTER**

- March-April: Applications open
- May-June: Interviews
- July-August: Placements commence

#### **IMPORTANT**

Placements may be completed on a full-time or part-time basis. Hours and flexibility must be negotiated with the host employer prior to commencing a placement.





## **Sharing Information**

#### **YOUR RIGHTS**

The DDA prohibits discrimination against people with disability throughout all stages of the employment process.

Employers are obligated to make adjustments to accommodate an individual's disability.

#### **WORKPLACE ADJUSTMENTS**

Workplace adjustments allow a person to:

- Perform the inherent or essential requirements of their job safely in the workplace
- Have equal opportunity in recruitment processes, promotion and ongoing development
- Experience equitable terms and conditions of employment
- Maximise productivity



## **Next Steps**

#### PACE MENTORING

Apply Now for Autumn 2018! tfaforms.com/420518

#### STEPPING INTO

Apply Now for Summer! <u>tfaforms.com/420924</u> For more info, dial in to our upcoming webinar:

- 11:30am Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Email applications@and.org.au.for login.de

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## **Questions?**

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