WePOWER Internship Program Module

EMPLOYER'S GUIDE TO A WELL-STRUCTURED, INCLUSIVE, AND YOUTH-FRIENDLY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

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What Is the WePOWER Internship Module and Who Is It for?

The South Asia Women in Power Sector Professional Network (WePOWER) supports higher participation of women in the energy sector and utilities and promotes normative changes for women and girls in STEM. An Internship Working Group of WePOWER partners has created this Internship Module as a tool for South Asian energy sector utilities and other stakeholders to establish and/or scale-up their internship programs

List of All the Attributes of the WePOWER Internship Program

Stages	Steps	No	Attributes	
I. Preparation	1) Pre-Preparation	1	Confirm the Best Internship Type for Your Organization and Develop Your Organization's Internship Policy	
		2	Appoint an Internship Coordinator	
		3	Identify a Supervisor and Mentor for the Intern	
		4	Hire Interns in a Cohort and Create a Women's Cohort	
		5	Decide Whether the Internship Program Has Paid or Unpaid for Interns	
		6	Define Meaningful Work Assignments for Interns Which Align with Organizational Needs	
	2) Recruitment	7	Write a Clear Job Description (ToR) with a Comprehensive Structured Program	
		8	Communicate Proactively with Partners for Inclusive Recruitment Outreach	

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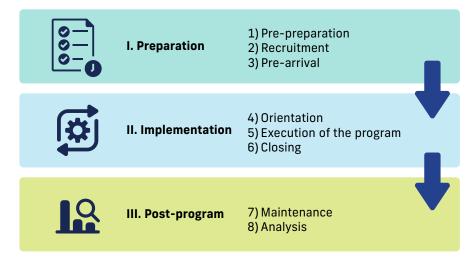
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		9	Make the Intern Selection Process as Transparent as Possible	
	3) Pre-Arrival	10	Sign the Internship Agreement Between the Intern and the Organization	
		11	Provide Safe Transportation and Inclusive Facilities	
		12	Activate Anti-Sexual Harassment Measures and Intern's Multiple Response Options	
		13	Ensure that Supervisor/Mentor Is Well Prepared to Host Interns	
II. Implementation	4) Orientation	14	Conduct a Well-Prepared Orientation	
		15	Develop the Intern's Workplan and Set Deliverables and Milestones with the Intern (as per ToR)	
	5) Execution the Program	16	Listen to the Interns and Arrange for Regular Supervisor/Mentor's Feedback	
		17	Support Interns' Professional Networking Opportunities	
		18	Allow Interns Access to Relevant Training for Entry-Level Staff	
		19	Make Sure Interns Participate in Organization- Sponsored Community Service Projects	
		20	Review Intern's Performance and Deliverables (Evaluation)	
	7) Closing	21	Hold a Farewell Reception (Recognition and Celebration)	
III. Post-program	8) Maintenance	22	Stay Connected with Interns Post-Completion	
	9) Analysis	23	Monitor and Analyze Key Indicators for Next Cohort	

The Internship Module is based on three elements:

- a. A comprehensive literature review of global best practices and research.
- b. Guidance from the WePOWER Internship Working Group.
- c. Summary of Findings and Results of 2022 WePOWER Questionnaire on Internship for South Asia Region Engineering Students.



Eight Basic Steps of WePOWER Internship





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