

# Austmine STEM METS Career Pathway Program

## Post Program Interview 2020



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### **What drew you towards applying for the Austmine STEM Program? In particular, why did you apply for your current internship position?**

The Austmine STEM program presents a great opportunity for students that want to obtain an insight of the technologies and processes used in the mining industry. I applied to an internship at IMDEX Limited because the job description mentioned software and engineering concepts that I was familiar with, and I wanted to apply this knowledge in the workplace.

### **Do you see yourself as having a career in this sector? Has your view towards the sector changed since prior to your internship?**

I do see myself working in the METS sector in the next 5-10 years. The internship helped me realize that there are many projects and companies that I can be a part of.

### **What key skills have you learnt through your internship that you feel are transferrable for future roles?**

Collaboration through different software (e.g. JIRA, Confluence), use of Australian Standards when it comes to manufacturing activities, use of SolidWorks PDM, and teamwork skills.

### **What task or experience was particularly memorable as part of your internship?**

Building a coupling adapter from scratch. It involved design, 3D printing, and testing with other team members.

### **What was the biggest challenge you faced during your internship and how did you overcome this?**

Time management was sometimes a problem, specially when I had to handle several tasks at once. It is important to know how to prioritize and when to reach out for help from your colleagues.

### **Would you recommend the Austmine STEM program to future students?**

Yes I would. Students get a chance to work with strong companies from the METS sector, and the program itself provides webinars and support to students during the process. In addition, internships are paid.

### **Do you have any further comments you would like to make about the Austmine STEM Program?**

I am really grateful that I was able to participate in this program, it had a great contribution to my career development and I hope other students can take advantage of it in the future.



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