

Call for Applications: Student Research Assistants

BCTech Hypergrowth Project

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Living Labs is currently seeking 5 qualified students for research positions with the BCtech Hypergrowth project in the Spring 2019 (January - April 2019).

Student Research Assistants (RAs) will form an innovative design research team to work with early-stage technology companies in British Columbia. This is an exciting opportunity to connect to startup culture in BC and to gain unique experience engaging with the accelerated research and development (R&D) model used by Internet companies. RAs will work directly with the technical and business leads of emerging companies to explore and develop new methodologies for embedding design in startups. RAs will consider existing design gaps, perform user interface/usability studies, and develop design strategies for participating companies.

Role

- Meet regularly with the business and technical team at one company to establish project deliverables and working processes
- Meet regularly with Research team to apply Lean and Agile Design methodologies to project work, so as to provide shared feedback and keep projects on track
- Apply research and design methodology to establishing and proposing great design solutions
- Develop a series of reports summarizing findings and proposals, including a concluding report
- Develop and produce a public presentation for participating companies and other project stakeholders

Qualifications

Candidates must possess the following in order to be considered for this position:

- Be enrolled at Emily Carr University of Art + Design (graduate, 3rd or 4th year undergraduate student) with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Be an amazing designer with flexible technical and creative skills across web, UX, communication or industrial design
- Possess excellent teamwork skills and a flexible, creative attitude
- Have strong organizational, research, communication, and presentation skills
- Have the ability to work independently and adapt responsively to changing conditions
- Have use of your own laptop
- Must be available to meet with company teams and internal research group as needed

Pay

This position will be paid by a stipend in accordance with Student Employment Pay Rates (\$3088.80 - \$3873.60); eligible students may also apply for co-op credit for this project.

Apply
Please send your CV and a short cover letter detailing your interest in the position to Living Labs: livinglabs@ecuad.ca. Only successful applicants will be contacted for an interview.

Deadline:
11:59PM on November 30