

ACAud Clinical Internship 'ACI'

Intern Requirements

1. Entry Requirements (Before Internship Starts)

Intern must:

- Hold relevant qualification (Audiologist / Audiometrist)
- Be accepted into ACAud / HAASA pathway
- Obtain documentation approval
- approved supervisor

2. Exam or Internship choice

Intern must:

- Confirm whether they are completing the CAPE and KIT exams or starting the Internship stage 1

3. Exams

Intern must successfully complete (not applicable to Domestic-Qualified Audiologist):

- CAPE (practical clinical exam)
- KIT (theoretical/case-based exam)
- Achieve minimum 80% in both assessments
- Demonstrate competence in:
 - Case history & communication
 - Otoscopy
 - Audiometry (air, bone, masking)
 - Tympanometry & reflexes
 - Hearing aid fitting & verification
 - Rehabilitation & counselling
 - Ethical practice & consent

Progression to start stage 1 or continue to stage 1. Stage 2 can only occur once both exam and stage 1 are passed.

4. Internship stage 1

- Complete at elbow supervision for week 1-4 (stage 1 can be extended to accommodate completing both exams and part-time employees)
- Receiving supervisor sign-off at each stage
- Obtain approval of stage completion from the Secretariat

5. Internship stage 2-4

- Complete at general supervision for week 5-52 (stage 2-4 can be extended to accommodate part-time employees)
- Receiving supervisor sign-off at each stage
- Obtain approval of stage completion from the Secretariat

6. Internship Requirements for each stage

- The Intern maintains and complete:
 - Daily Logbook
 - Record daily clinical activity
 - Clinical Competency Journal
 - Reflect on clinical experiences
 - Link activities to competency domains
 - Identify strengths, gaps, and learning goals
 - Respond to supervisor feedback
- The Intern must submit 3 structured clinical cases:
 - Stage 2: Sensorineural hearing loss
 - Stage 3: Conductive hearing loss
 - Stage 4: Complex or mixed hearing loss
 - Each portfolio must include:
 - Case history + COSI goals
 - Full diagnostic testing & interpretation
 - Hearing aid selection, fitting & verification
 - Rehabilitation outcomes
 - Referrals and clinical justification
 - Outcome analysis and follow-up
- The Intern must:
 - Complete required webinars and quizzes