

### Harnessing the Next Generation of Tech Talent

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## **Agenda**

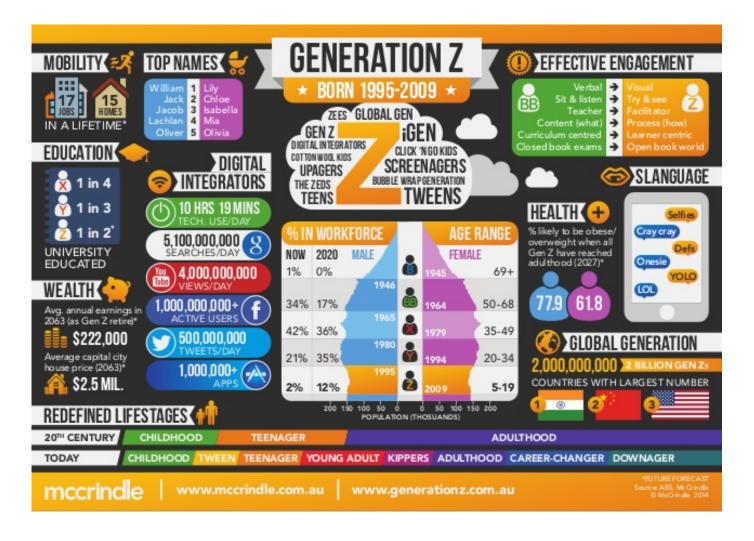
- Generation Z
- DNA of the Intern Program
- Lessons Learned
- Key Takeaways

A Splunktern is some kind of bird, right?



Who Are the Gen Zs

#### **Generation Z**



## **Gen Z Big Stats**

2025 Workforce

**Generation** Size

B

2025 Workforce



**Degrees** 



17 Jobs 5 Careers



Global Generation



#### Realism



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**Hyper Customisation** 



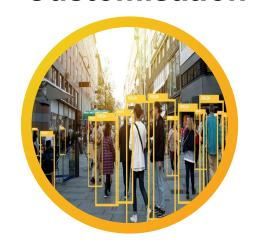
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Hyper Customisation



Tech Savvy but with a Human Touch





DNA of the Intern Program

The Who, What, Why, Where & How

## **Internship Timeline**

**Applications** 

Sept '19 **Nov '19** Feb '20 Open Days Interviews **Internship Starts** Oct' 19

**Dec '19** 

**Intern Offers** 



**July '20** Internship Finishes

#### Who & Where Did We Recruit?

















THE UNIVERSITY OF

MELBOURNE

















**MACQUARIE** University



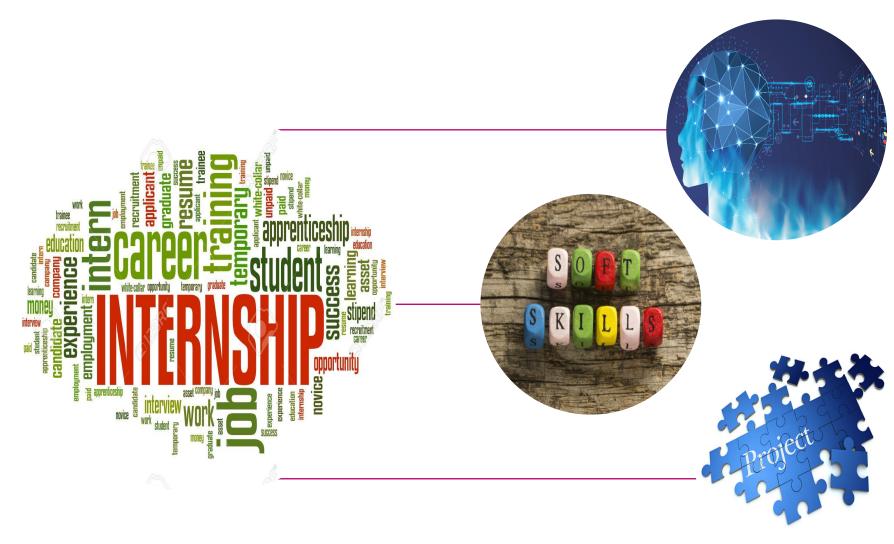








## How did the program work?

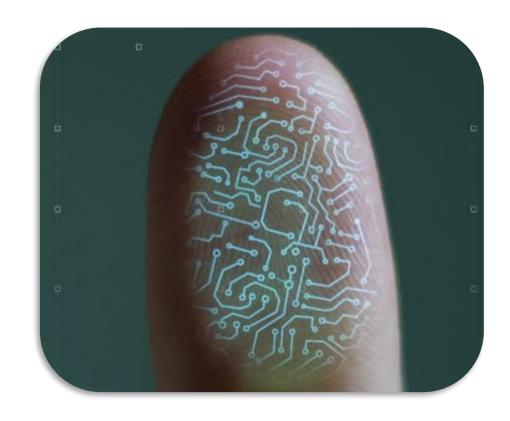


## How did the program work?



## What Are These Projects?





**Smart Building Management** 

**Digital Fingerprinting** 





**Lessons Learned** 

## 2018 Splunk Intern Blog



elcome back to the Splunktern Blog Series! This series will showcase the diverse experiences of our Splunk Interns from around the world.





Although Splunk is headquartered in San Francisco, California, we have over 20 offices around the world. What's even better is that several of these offices are home to our Splunktern program, including Melbourne, Australia. Ramya Sridhar was one of our amazing sales engineering interns who didn't know what to expect when she joined Splunk after interning for Google. But after becoming a Splunktern, she was blown away by the quality of work and the strong company culture she experienced in her internship.



Ramya studies at Monash University and is pursuing a bachelor's of computer science in the honors program. Though her professional development is impressive,

her journey to success has been an uphill climb. She attended a selective all-girls high school where careers in tech-related fields weren't well discussed compared to careers in medicine and healthcare. In her final year, her mom mentioned someone she knew who worked at Google, and Ramya's interest in computer science started the day she read their job description.

Ramya is one of the top 50 female students at her university to receive a scholarship for pursuing a STEM major. As she holds that with pride, she also explained the reality many students face in engineering, where the rigorous curriculum made her initially consider dropping her computer science major because she believed she wasn't excelling. However, she decided to continue her hard work, and soon accepted an internship with Google, and a year later, with Splunk.



## Key Takeaways

1. The Value of Ramping quickly on Tech Skills

2. The Importance of Mentoring

3. Break Your Bias



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