*Please download this application form and complete in Microsoft Word – handwritten applications will not be accepted.*

This year Cosmos Magazine are offering a special opportunity for an ASC member to undertake an internship with their team. Cosmos is a general interest science magazine that explores the frontiers of scientific knowledge, from medicine to astronomy to archaeology.

The internship would give a member the opportunity to work with the Cosmos team and understand how a printed magazine goes from inception to final product, working with the designers, writers and editorial team. The intern would be given the opportunity to write short news pieces for our Digest section, and learn how an issue is put together. She or he could also contribute to writing photo captions and other aspects of compiling the magazine, depending on interest. The intern would also have the chance to learn how magazine features are reported, written and edited. Working with the Cosmos editorial team you would develop the skills needed to identify and develop a good feature idea and write a strong pitch.  
  
It is a great opportunity for anyone wanting to enhance their long-form writing skills and network with some of Australia's best feature science writers.  
  
The internship length is open for discussion, you would be working with the team in the Melbourne office and would need to provide your own accommodation while in Melbourne.  
  
The recommended time to achieve the best outcome is 3-4 weeks, however for those who need to travel this could be negotiated with aspects of the internship moving online if required.

**SECTION 1 – YOUR DEETS FOR OUR RECORDS**

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| Name: |  |
| Email: |  |
| Phone: |  |
| Address: |  |
| Current position title: |  |
| Current employer: |  |
| Current employment status  (f/t, p/t, casual, contractor, etc): |  |
| ASC member since: |  |
| ASC membership type: |  |
| Current extracurricular activities (volunteer work, sports, arts): |  |

*Please also attach a one page CV with educational, workshop and employment experience.*

**SECTION 2 – TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOURSELF**

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| Why did you join the Australian Science Communicators? (100 words max) |  |
| What inspires you about science communication? (250 words max) |  |
| What professional development have you undertaken in the past five years? |  |
| Where do you see yourself in five years’ time? (250 words max) |  |
| In the space of a tweet (140 characters) describe science communication? |  |

**SECTION 3 – TELL US ABOUT YOUR WRITING BACKGROUND**

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| This might sound strange but tell us about the current technology you own? (i.e. phone, tablet, laptop etc) |  |
| How do you go about sourcing science content for articles? |  |
| Tell us a bit about your writing experience? How often, where do you write, who is your audience? |  |
| What do you want to get out of an internship with Cosmos |  |

**SECTION 4 – THE ASSESSMENT**

To narrow down the candidates, we want you to provide 3 examples of your writing:

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**SECTION 5 – SIGNING OFF**

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| Your Name (please print) |  |
| Your Signature (can be electronic) |  |
| Signature Date (dd/mm/yy) |  |

*Please note that all information on this form will remain confidential and will only be seen by those involved in the grants program (manager, reviewers and panel).*

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Once this application is complete please email a PDF version to [grants@asc.asn.au](mailto:grants@asc.asn.au) before 11:59pm AEDT March 9, 2018.