Who we are. Holmes Fire is a specialist fire engineering consultancy firm, with offices in Australia, New Zealand and the United States. One of the first fire engineering firms within Australia and New Zealand, Holmes Fire has over 20 years in business, and over 60 fire engineers, making Holmes Fire the largest and most experienced fire engineering firm in Australasia.

Holmes Fire has a large multicultural team and we are well practiced at providing in depth exposure to fire engineering consulting.

The Opportunity. We are seeking applications from final year students and recent graduates of the Fire Safety Engineering course from the University of Queensland to work in one of our offices across Australia or New Zealand. The position requires a commitment of 12 months.

The entry-level Fire Engineer position will provide you with a broad insight into the role of a consulting fire engineer, with exposure to clients, design teams and approval authorities. You will be involved in numerous projects, from preparing fee submissions, attending design team meetings, undertaking detailed design and construction inspections.

You will assist our fire engineers with building code assessments and performance based designs. In providing fire safety designs you will undertake qualitative and/or quantitative analyses, inclusive of egress calculations, smoke spread modelling, radiant heat calculations, and structural fire engineering.

You will accompany engineers to site inspections, meetings with clients and approval authorities.

The culture of Holmes Fire will ensure you enjoy your time with us, both in and out of the office, with four weeks paid leave for you to see the sights.

Apply. Please submit your application with a CV and cover letter via e-mail: lisa.shilliday@holmesfire.com

We look forward to hearing from you.

Lisa Shilliday
HR Director

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Qualifications. Final year students and recent graduates of a Fire Safety Engineering degree.

The Salary. We offer competitive salaries for the work experience position, commensurate with your experience and aptitude.

Four weeks paid annual leave will be provided.

We will also provide reasonable compensation towards your airfare and visa (if applicable), payable on your commencement of employment.

Holmes Fire will also provide one week’s accommodation for applicants relocating within Australia or to New Zealand.

Visas. Australian residents and permanent residents do not require a visa to work in New Zealand.

For any other nationalities, the offer is subject to approval by the Immigration Department for both Holmes Fire to sponsor the position and your visa application. Holmes Fire will arrange the sponsorship application, applicants are responsible for obtaining the visa.

This is a simple process, however requires a long lead time to receive approval. Further information will be provided to successful applicants.
Looking back on my year-long internship with Holmes Fire I feel so grateful and privileged to be afforded such an amazing opportunity. I found working as an engineer in an English-speaking country a big but very educational challenge. Initially, I worked on a broad array of projects under the care of my co-workers until I was comfortable with everything from smaller residential developments to huge multi-million-dollar hotel developments.

I made tons of friends during my stay, both expats like myself from different countries, but also local friends from different parts of Australia which I value very much. My year in Sydney and at Holmes Fire was a lifechanging experience and without a doubt the best year of my life so far.

Stina Andersson. Working at Holmes has given me an opportunity to get international work experience while being able to explore a new country. As part of the Holmes Fire team, you find yourself in a supporting environment with people who are always keen to help out and share their knowledge.

I have been able to travel quite a bit during my year in New Zealand. Holmes Fire has offices in five different locations around New Zealand which makes it possible (and easy) to combine work and travel. My favourite places are the Mt Cook area on the South Island and the Bay of Islands on the North Island.

Felicia Klint. Moving to New Zealand has been one of the scariest and best things I have ever done. The team at Holmes Fire are very supportive and helpful and I have learned so much in just one year. During this time, I have had a variety of my own projects ranging from authoring small reports, to creating simulations and even a 4-day site visit at a process industry facility. I also appreciated the opportunity to travel all around New Zealand and do cool activities like skiing, skydiving, hiking – I even did the Nevis Swing!

Speak to Felicia to hear more about her experience. felicia.klint@outlook.com