Business Partner Fact Sheet:
Data Analytics Hub projects – frequently asked questions

How many students will work on my project?
The project manager will decide on the appropriate number of students for your project during the scoping discussion with a minimum of two. This gives the students another person to collaborate with and provides multiple perspectives to work from.

When does the placement take place?
Most placements will occur during tertiary institution semesters. Semesters are (approximately) the start of March until 31 May (semester 1) and late July until October (semester 2). This is a rough guide and there are exceptions that can be discussed in person.

How long will the students be placed with our business?
The length of a placement depends on the institution, though it is typically 1-2 days a week for 12 weeks per student.

How does this project fit with the Fair Work Act?
Unpaid placements are lawful when they are part of a vocational placement for a course of study. Students placed through the Hub are undertaking the placement as part of their studies for credit, as approved by tertiary institutions.

What costs do I have to pay?
There is a flat charge of $450 + GST for the business/organisation.

What is the benefit of a placement through the Hub?
Placements bring industry and education together. These two groups have very different expectations and goals, and operate in different spaces. Placements through the Hub are facilitated by project managers with a history of working with both students and industry, allowing them to manage expectations and ensure that project objectives are met with beneficial results for all.

What kind of project is best suited to the program?
Because the Hub has access to students from Certificate III to PhD, there isn't an 'ideal' project. Organisations come to the Hub with a problem or an area for improvement, and we help them form a project that will aid in fulfilment of that objective. This means that the program is suitable for large organisations looking to do complex work to add to their current data analytics capabilities, but it is also suitable for small/single employee start-ups that are looking to take their first step in the field and have no data knowledge or expertise.

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