



## VEC SUMMER INTERN: Latha Shetthalli Shankara

UNIVERSITY OR SCHOOL: University of Liverpool

UNIVERSITY COURSE STUDYING: MSc Data Science and Al

## WHAT MADE YOU WANT TO JOIN THE VIRTUAL ENGINEERING CENTRE FOR YOUR INTERNSHIP DURING THE SUMMER 2022?

The research and innovation was one of the main reasons. It would be challenging to be part of such projects and also builds confidence.

#### HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE INTERNSHIP?

Via the University communication

# DID YOU HAVE ANY PRECONCEPTIONS ABOUT THE VIRTUAL ENGINEERING CENTRE AND WHAT THE CENTRE DOES PRIOR TO STARTING YOUR INTERNSHIP?

I had read about the centre, the industry partnerships it has, the research and innovations which did motivate and inspire.

### WHAT WERE YOU DOING DURING YOUR INTERNSHIP AT THE VIRTUAL ENGINEERING CENTRE?

I am developing a visualisation platform for strategic planning of funding that the UK universities receive.

#### WHAT SKILLS DID YOU NEED TO UTILISE TO COMPLETE THE TASKS SET?

Data science, Python, Streamlit, Mongo DB

#### DID YOU LEARN ANYTHING NEW AND SOMETHING BEYOND YOUR COURSE?

Yes, I have learnt a lot about new technologies. Mongo DB and Streamlit being a few of them.

### WAS YOUR TIME AT THE VIRTUAL ENGINEERING CENTRE WHAT YOU EXPECTED AND DID IT MEET YOUR EXPECTATIONS?

It is more than I initially expected. There was constant support and we could discuss any road blocks that we have while fulfilling a task.

# DID YOU DEVELOP OR LEARN ANY NEW SKILLS DURING YOUR SUMMER INTERNSHIP?

I developed my understanding of business problems and new technologies.

# DO YOU HAVE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS OR WORDS OF ADVICE FOR OTHER STUDENTS WHO ARE CONSIDERING AN INTERNSHIP (NOT LIMITED TO THE VEC?)

To go in with an open mind and to not fear taking up any new projects or challenges - embrace them.

# WHAT ARE THE NEXT CAREER STEPS YOU WISH TO TAKE FOLLOWING YOUR COURSE COMPLETION?

I would like to work in Data science and AI field and have plans to pursue Phd in the future.

