What we do

HL7 International is a not-for-profit, ANSI-accredited health data standards development organization. We imagine a world in which everyone can securely access and use the right health data when and where they need it. To bring that vision to life, we develop standards that empower global health data interoperability. Many people think of standards as static specifications, but really, standards are the fruit of open dialogue and collaboration among diverse stakeholders. HL7’s central aim is to coordinate people, infrastructure, and governance toward the shared mission of empowering global health interoperability. HL7 standards deliver solutions for health information technology that are used in health care systems around the world.

The opportunity for you

We want to hire and mentor a motivated informatics trainee who wants to learn, contribute, and advance the industry’s approach to solving the thorny problems of health data interoperability. This internship will focus specifically on synthesizing best practices for using standard terminologies within HL7’s specifications. You will be working with world-class experts, learning how consensus-driven standards are transforming data exchange, and building a key resource for the global health standards community.

This 12 to 16 week remote-based (online) internship requires that you have completed at least 1 academic year of core informatics courses, including at least one course covering interoperability and standard terminologies. Through mentoring, conducting interviews, reviewing existing processes and tools, you’ll create an online resource (e.g. using Atlassian’s Confluence wiki) that supports our coordinated, high quality use of terminology. We are looking for someone who takes pride in their writing and who can summarize complex medical and technical information into clear, concise, and relevant prose. You’ll have the opportunity to explore the crucial interplay between syntactic and semantic standards and hone your execution of informatics projects with cross-disciplinary stakeholders. The selected intern(s) must be eligible to work in the United States and will receive a $5,000 monthly stipend.

How to apply

Interested candidates can apply through May 13, 2022 by email to internships@hl7.org. Please submit:

1. A cover letter explaining what intrigues you about health data standards and why you want to intern at HL7 International
2. A writing sample explaining what LOINC is in 300 words or less
3. A recommendation letter from a faculty member in your training program
4. Your resume or CV