e-LIT International Ltd.
Web and Mobile App Development internship

Surakat Kudehinbu is the Founder of e-LIT International Ltd, which is a start-up company that provides accessible interactive educational content on digital literacy skills; equipping people with the skills to live, learn, work and contribute in our modern digital societies. Impressively, e-LIT secured a place in the finals of the University Startup World Cup in Copenhagen.

At the time of the internship, e-LIT were occupants of the ABVenture Zone at the University of Aberdeen, who are a start-up incubator unit that support growing businesses and encourage entrepreneurs to develop new products and services.

Identifying their need:

Surakat had identified that e-LIT were at the stage where they needed additional input with the development and programming of their platform. They needed somebody with specific computer science and programming skills; they needed ‘somebody who could do what we couldn’t’. Additionally, e-LIT required somebody who could be flexible, and who could bring in new ideas and concepts to benefit the project.

A knowledgeable University of Aberdeen graduate as an intern was the ideal scenario, and receiving £1500 towards the intern’s salary through the Santander SME Internship scheme proved very beneficial.

The Intern:

Sean Reilly had studied BSc in Computing Science and had relevant prior expertise in the required area. He positively contributed to the project aims and how it could be developed and undertaken. Sean spent time researching the best practices of software development, as well as learning to use new techniques required for this internship that included developing a full Laravel 5 web application with linked database, and the HTML ‘landing page’.

Outcomes and benefits:

The work undertaken by Sean was essential for e-LIT’s progress and development. Sean’s skills and knowledge, and internship outcomes helped e-LIT progress at a rate greater than it otherwise would have done. His fresh insights and broader contribution to the team added value to the business whilst also developing Sean’s workplace relevant skills and knowledge. Sean quickly became ‘another member of the team’ and was subsequently offered additional work with e-LIT.