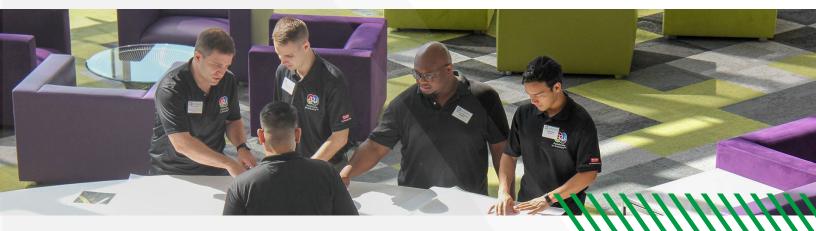# ACCELERATE TO INDUSTRY

A Bold New Approach to Workforce Development

What is A2i?

The Accelerate to Industry (A2i) program represents a bold new approach to enhance industry workforce readiness by bridging the gap between academic training and workforce needs.

A2i Modules

The A2i program is built on several modules that offer a broad range of distinctive partnership opportunities to connect companies to a diverse group of highly talented graduate students and postdoctoral researchers.

Immersion Week

Intensive experiential learning and networking opportunity that prepares graduate students and postdocs for the corporate environment.

Industry Internship

Industry companies work directly with the School of Graduate Studies for recruitment, providing students and companies an opportunity to evaluate each other as prospective employers/employees.

Team Practicum

Up to 12-week experience during which participants work on an industry-assigned team project and learn to creatively leverage their technical and teamwork skills to move ideas toward solutions.

Job Search Strategies

8-week development series that offers industry professionals opportunities to lead workshops, career panels, and presentations that support participants in their efforts to market their abilities to industry companies.

Company Visit

Designed to offer graduate students and postdocs an opportunity to interact and network with professionals from industry companies.

A2i Industry Partners

Partner with the School of Graduate Studies to support student development while developing a consistent pipeline of future leaders for your industry's needs. As a partner, you will directly participate in the education of graduate students and postdoctoral researchers to demonstrate highly valued key industry competencies.

| Leadership, communication, and teamwork | Corporate cultural awareness and cross-cultural competence | Market and technology evaluation | Intellectual property and regulatory affairs | Research commercialization |

Key Features:

- A2i program's content, project work, and activities are tailored to the topics that best suit the needs of our corporate members and prepare our students for the workforce.

- Members are provided with meaningful and robust engagement experience for recruitment from a diverse pool of our most talented graduate and postdoctoral researchers from across all disciplines and colleges at UND.

- A2i's communication team works with our industry members to build advertising campaigns that attract the top talent at UND.

- Targeted recruiting services offered and tailored to our industry members' hiring, internship, and team project needs.

- Facilitated on-site networking and interviewing events are hosted with industry members.

For more information, visit UND.edu/gradschool/a2i.

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