

STUDENT PROFILE: JOSHUA WINFIELD

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CANADIAN HOST UNIVERSITY: UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

Joshua was accepted by [Mitacs](#) and supported by UOW to undertake the elite *Globalink Research Internship* in Canada in 2016. He then chose to remain in Canada and do an exchange semester for the final months of his University of Wollongong Maths/Physics degree.

After completing his Mitacs internship he accepted a generous PhD scholarship from the University of Calgary where his research involves the impact of methane hydrates (fire ice) on the environment.

Mitacs Globalink Research Internships provide a 12 week intensive program of activities to undergraduate students from around the world. Students complete a research project under the supervision of a faculty member at a Canadian university as well as meeting local entrepreneurs, academic, government and business leaders.

In 2015 Universities Australia signed an agreement with Mitacs, a Canadian not-for-profit research and training organisation, which facilitated access for Australian students to this highly competitive program for the first time.

Joshua says his Mitacs internship has directed his career path in a wonderful way. He is now a Mitacs Fellow in Canada and a UOW Engineering graduate (2016) and is grateful for the opportunity provided by both Mitacs and the University of Wollongong.



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The Globalink Research Internship student application opens in July each year for placements starting in May/June the following year.

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