

Public Summary

Accenture is a global management consulting, technology service and outsourcing company. The incorporated headquarters of Accenture are in Dublin, Republic of Ireland. It is the world's largest consulting company as measured of revenues and is also a Fortune 500 company, currently at position 404. Accenture's current clients include 96 of the Fortune Global top 100, and more than 75% of the Fortune Global 500. Accenture its mission is to help clients to create their future, and its vision is "To become one of the world's leading companies, bringing innovations to improve the way the world works and lives."

Currently, Accenture has more than 319.000 employees, spread on approximately 56 different countries, serving their clients in 120 different countries with \$31 billion in revenues for fiscal year 2014. In the Netherlands, Accenture has about 2500 employees spread on 2 main offices, Amsterdam (headquarters) and Almere.

I've found this internship position on the Accenture homepage, after a long search for an internship. Knowing Accenture already from a work-shop I've attended during the Science Based Business course, I had high expectations of this company, and therefore my internship and the learning experience I would gain. Though I did not have a direct fit in terms of my affinity or knowledge of the telecom industry, Accenture looks further than that. They look for skills that you possess which will benefit the company in any way. Because of my different background and analytical skills I was hired.

An internship at Accenture is a great challenge, as most of the work you have to do is on ad-hoc basis. This means that some days you will have stashes of work, while the other day you are just drinking coffee with colleagues all day long. Though this mind sound like a bad experience, it was the best for me, as I like working fast, but also like to network. There is space for both at Accenture.

My internship was about market research and other research for the telco client I was working for. Because of my lack of knowledge of the telecom industry this was a struggle in the beginning, but this way you learn the most. I've also done general tasks that a starting analyst at Accenture would do, giving me the full Accenture experience.

When doing an internship at a company the size of Accenture you might think at first that there are too many people, and you might drown in the organization. This might be true, as you have to keep your head up and make a spot for yourself. But there is also always someone willing to help you, and make sure that you do not drown in the mass. Overall, Accenture is a great company to do your internship at, and I've achieved lots of personal and professional growth.