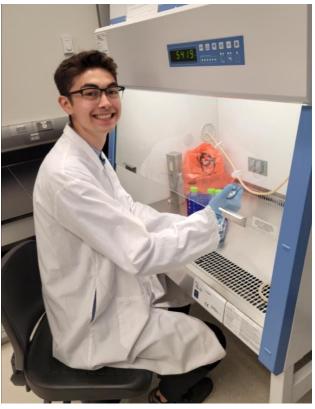
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Biohubx is a not-for-profit that supports scaling life sciences companies by creating technical infrastructure and facilitating opportunities to help them succeed. Biohubx offers laboratory and office space that helps companies achieve regularory approval and reach commercialization in a lower-risk situation.

Hiring students brings a fresh perspective and more energy to the Biohubx team. Elisa Park Kim, Director of Business Development, says hiring students benefits both parties, noting a WIL experience "allows Biohubx to participate in training the future work force and also provides [students] with valuable learning experience they can use to find a job once they graduate."

Isaac Wong, a University of Calgary Master of Biomedical Technology student, was hired to explore certain pilot projects that the main

Biohubx team did not have time or capacity to take on. He proved to be adaptable and flexible, assisting Biohubx in both business development projects and the laboratory, and was described as "an intelligent problem solver and self-starter" by his supervisors. Isaac says that he applied for the position at Biohubx because he "wanted to contribute to Biohubx's mission of assisting life science companies at the commercialization stage." The role allowed him to build on his academic education, which was a blend of biotechnology and industry, providing him with the ideal platform to support and engage with life science start-ups – something he is deeply passionate about.

Throughout his WIL experience, Isaac took on various responsibilities, such as maintaining and updating Biohubx's Customer Relationship Management (CRM) database, setting up and recruiting for the Guidance and Impact Tracking System (www.gaits.org), managing accounting tasks using QuickBooks, and supporting building operations and handling administrative tasks. It sounds like Biohubx kept him busy!

In Isaac's own words:

"My work at Biohubx allowed me the opportunity to meet entrepreneurs and life science advocates, and to hear their innovative ideas. It's exciting to consider how Biohubx's resources can support and collaborate with them. This networking and creative potential were the most exciting parts of my time at Biohubx.

Beyond my time with Biohubx, my goal is to expand into clinical operations and regulatory affairs, where I can apply my interdisciplinary skillset to liaison with both patients and regulatory bodies. I hope to contribute to the role which will allow me to make an impact on healthcare solutions while ensuring compliance with regulatory standards. My one big takeaway from my experiences thus far is that innovation and regulation can work in harmony to enhance lives, and I am driven to be a part of that."

Keep an eye out for Biohubx's announcements of a second hub coming in 2024, and more work integrated learning opportunities!

WIL VOUCHER



