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The next step for ambitious students

Engineers and technicians are the backbone of the world of engineering and your specific needs are at the heart of the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET). That's why we have considerable resources and support designed to help you achieve the most from your life as a student and to move you seamlessly into employment.

As you prepare to enter the world of work, it's critical to align your skills and experience with the needs of the businesses which will look to employ you. Undergraduates achieving Professional Registration as an Engineering Technician (EngTech) or ICT Technician (ICTTech) on completion of their year in industry will have a distinct advantage when it comes to finding employment upon graduation.

It's clear that employers believe Professional Registration shows that students have gained the initial experience and competence to complement their academic study.

They think it also demonstrates a commitment to maintaining competence and an ongoing focus on professional standards. We agree; and technician Professional Registration from the IET is the practical solution which delivers for employers and for you. Technician Professional Registration following completion of your year in industry will deliver a competitive advantage when you graduate.

Professional Registration provides independent recognition of your competences that have been assessed to ensure that standards required for admission to the national register of professional engineers and technicians have been attained. In short, it's an official recognition of your professionalism and commitment as well as providing the opportunity for progression within your career. The IET is licensed by the Engineering Council to award professional engineering and ICT qualifications (EngTech, ICTTech, IEng and CEng).

**Engineering Technician (EngTech)**

Engineering Technicians solve practical engineering problems. They are professionals with supervisory or technical responsibility, apply safe systems of working and contribute to the design; development; manufacture; commissioning; decommissioning; operation or maintenance of products, equipment, processes or services.

**Information Communication Technology Technician (ICTTech)**

ICT Technicians are professionals who support or facilitate the use of ICT equipment and applications by other users. They work in areas such as ICT business solutions, software, hardware, service or system operation/installation/support, IT administration, security, fault diagnosis and fixing.

**Stand out from the start**

A qualification is about having the right knowledge for a job; Professional Registration is about demonstrating you are the right person for a job. It provides independent recognition of the skills and knowledge you’ve acquired in the workplace in addition to your formal university qualification; in a competitive job market it can give you a distinct advantage by:
Making more of your industrial placement

– Making you stand out – Professional Registration could push your CV to the top of the pile
– Highlighting your skills – competence is easily recognised by your employer and your peers
– Demonstrating your commitment – professional registration is a sign of your focus on professional development
– Delivering credibility and status – you’ll be able to use the designatory letters EngTech TMIET or ICT Tech TMIET
– Creating opportunities – professional registration makes you more employable and more global in your job seeking
– Preparing you for the future – this is a foundation for progression to either an Incorporated Engineer, Chartered Engineer as your career develops

Apply for Professional Registration with Career Manager

As a member of the IET you will benefit from free access to Career Manager – an innovative online system which will enable you to collate information, review your progress and plan your time as you work towards Professional Registration.

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The application for EngTech or ICT Tech is assessed against a set competency criteria which the assessors will be looking for you to evidence in your application form. You can download a copy of the Engineering Technician framework / ICT Technician standard here along with a copy of the application guidance notes.

The EngTech & ICT Tech application is a written application based on answering three assessment questions. The assessment questions are your chance to set out the experience you have gained on your placement year from two or three different jobs, projects or tasks that demonstrate these competences.

It’s up to you to make it happen.

One. Make sure you are a member of the IET. Check with your university if you are unsure whether membership of the IET has been paid for as part of your degree course. If you are not a member, join us at www.theiet.org/join

Two. Ensure you have set up an online account with the IET - it’s the only way to access key online tools to support your Professional Registration application. To set up an online account - register at the top of the IET homepage www.theiet.org

Three. Join one of our free online Technician Professional Registration workshops.

Four. Apply using Career Manager theiet.org/careermanager
This is your opportunity to make your year in industry count for even more with the help of the IET.
Covering the costs:

There are three options when paying for either your membership and/or Professional Registration fees:

One. your university pays – check with your lecturer or Industry Placement Co-ordinator whether your university has already paid for IET membership as part of your degree course. Your university may also consider supporting your fees for Professional Registration in addition to membership.

Two. you pay – indicating your commitment to professionalism. To join us as a member, visit www.theiet.org/join or call our Member and Customer Service team for further information on tel: +44 (0) 1438 765678.

Three. Your employer pays – your placement provider may support you with your membership and/or Professional Registration fees.

How much does it cost?

Please refer to https://www.theiet.org/career/professional-registration/what-is-professional-registration/professional-registration-fees/ for up-to-date fee information and payment options.