

Mechanical Engineering Intern

Your tasks

Position Overview

The Mechanical Engineering Intern will support engineering, maintenance, and production teams in a hands-on manufacturing environment focused on rubber compounding and finishing operations. This role offers exposure to industrial equipment, process improvement initiatives, reliability engineering, and safety-focused problem solving within a fast-paced plant setting.

Key Responsibilities

- Assist engineers with troubleshooting and optimizing mechanical systems, including mixers, extruders, presses, mills, conveyors, and auxiliary equipment.
- Support continuous improvement efforts such as reducing downtime, increasing throughput, and improving equipment reliability.
- Conduct time studies, data collection, and basic mechanical analysis to support process optimization.
- Participate in preventive and predictive maintenance activities, including documentation updates and equipment condition assessments.
- Help develop or revise work instructions, equipment specifications, and engineering documentation (drawings, schematics, BOMs).
- Support root-cause investigations of equipment failures or process issues using structured problem-solving tools.
- Collaborate with production, quality, maintenance, and safety teams on cross-functional projects.
- Assist with installation, testing, and validation of new equipment or process modifications.

Your profile

Basic Qualifications

- Must be currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering, Manufacturing Engineering, Industrial Engineering, or related field.
- Basic understanding of mechanical systems, fluid power, materials, and machine design.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills with attention to detail.
- Familiarity with CAD software (SolidWorks, AutoCAD, or similar).
- Ability to work both independently and within a team in a manufacturing environment.
- Strong communication skills and willingness to engage with operators and technicians on the plant floor.
- This role requires onsite presence in the Auburn, Indiana plant 100% of the time. Relocation will not be offered for this position.

Preferred Qualifications



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Field of work
Engineering

Location
Auburn

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- Exposure to manufacturing or industrial environments through prior internships.
- Knowledge of lean manufacturing, 5S, TPM, or other process improvement methodologies.
- Experience with data analysis tools (Excel, Minitab, Power BI).
- Understanding of rubber processing equipment or polymer-related coursework is a plus.

Learning Opportunities

- Hands on experience with large scale manufacturing equipment and mechanical systems.
- Practical exposure to reliability engineering, maintenance systems, and continuous improvement tools.
- Real world application of mechanical engineering principles in a production environment.
- Mentorship from mechanical, process, and maintenance engineers.

Our offer

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