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## Influential Software recruit local interns

Influential Software, provider of business intelligence solutions and bespoke software, has recently recruited three interns from Kent based universities.

Interns Simon Barnes, Robert Day and Matthew Bacon, all from Kent, will work closely with Influential's existing team. A fourth intern, Matthew Gould, will also join Influential in September.

Simon and Robert are both 3rd year Computer Science students at the University of Kent, while Matthew is an apprentice who has been studying an HNC in Computer Systems at K College.

Simon, 20, is currently researching JasperReports, the world's most popular open source reporting engine, in order to generate enterprise grade reports from databases.

Robert, also 20, is investigating automated testing software for websites and web-applications. Automated test software (in this case selenium) allows a standardised framework for running a suite of automatic tests over a website or web-application, testing functionality, reliability and accuracy. This kind of automation is at the heart of test-driven development ensuring high quality and robust applications.

Matthew, 19, is helping to investigate new techniques in building virtualised environments for our development projects. Virtualisation delivers the ability to propagate multiple server environments on a single physical server and is a core technology in the Cloud Computing paradigm.

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Commenting on Influential's new interns, Managing Director, Andy Richardson said: 'I am excited to welcome each of the interns to our team. They all have unique skills which will complement our existing team and we look forward to sharing our collective knowledge.'

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