

Practice firms - just how valuable are they? Some business partners perspectives

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This paper outlines the findings of an investigation into the relationship between practice firms and business partners, undertaken for DETYA in 1999.

This study involved interviewing 39 business partners across Australia. They were asked a series of questions relating to their business, its relationship with the practice firms that it mentors and the value of practice firm training.

Students are supported by local business people who mentor, coach and advise both students and teachers in running their simulated business based on the business partner's practices and procedures.

The business partners considered that students who had experience with practice firms would be better qualified, experienced and business oriented people. They applaud the concept and think there should be more practice firms.

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