



INTERNSHIPS PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT EXPERIENCES THAT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO GRADUATES IN THEIR JOB SEARCH AND GIVE CONFIDENCE IN THEIR CAREER CHOICES.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING IN AN INTERNSHIP?

- The chance to apply knowledge from class in real-life situations
- The opportunity to “test drive” a possible career and find out if it suits you
- Professional contacts who often prove helpful when you’re searching for a job after graduation
- Relevant job experience and an enhanced resume, making you more marketable to employers
- Possible academic credit on your transcript

HOW DO YOU GET AN INTERNSHIP?

Setting up an internship at Centre is simple. Students pursue academic internships during their junior or senior year and may participate in non-credit internships at any point in their time at Centre. If participating in a credit internship, they choose a faculty advisor and, with the help of the Center for Career & Professional Development, find and apply to an internship site. Together, the student, the faculty advisor, and the intern sponsor set expectations for the internship.

During the internship, students complete an academic project and work on other projects as requested by the sponsor

and faculty advisor. At the end of the term, students give a presentation about their work and complete an evaluation of the internship experience. Students can participate in an academic-credit internship during all terms including the short CentreTerm in January as well as during the summer. They may also participate in a non-credit internship during the summer.

INTERNSHIP FUNDING

The goals of Centre’s internship funding program are:

- To support students who are building upon their academic and career-related pursuits with internships.
- To facilitate student participation in experiential career exploration.
- To expand the diversity of internship opportunities in which Centre students participate.
- To help students access an internship that would be difficult to pursue without funding support.

Applying for internship funding at Centre is a competitive process that allows students to earn extra financial support for high-caliber unpaid or low-paid internship experiences during the summer or CentreTerm. The Center for Career & Professional Development can help locate top-notch internships and can offer advice for students locating internships on their own.

If a student’s proposal is accepted, Centre College will provide up to \$1,000 toward a CentreTerm internship and up to \$5,000 toward a summer internship, minus taxes. At the end of their internships, interns receiving funding prepare a presentation attended by the campus community.

WHAT EMPLOYERS SAY ABOUT CENTRE INTERNS

"It works for us because Centre students make such valuable contributions. And it works for them because they get real life, hands-on experience working on serious projects for real organizations."

Ron Jackson, The Idea Farm (Danville, Ky.)

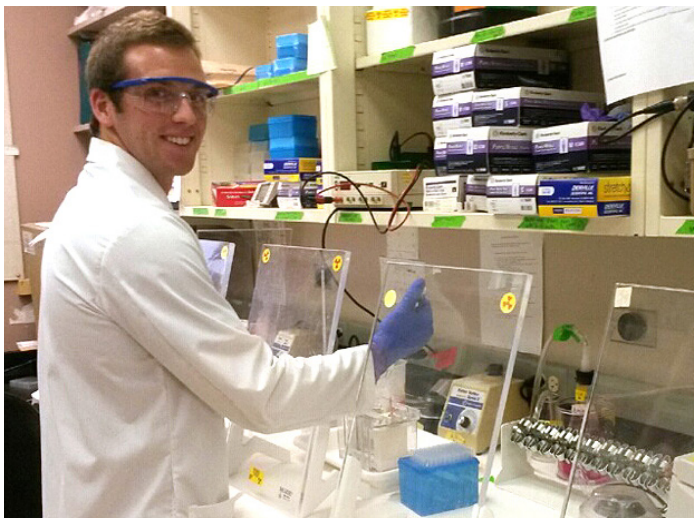
WHAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE?

Internships have become very important to college students, graduate schools, and employers alike. More employers are recruiting students with prior relevant experience.

With an internship, you can gain an extra edge that will help you secure a higher-paying job after graduation. More importantly, you'll gain real-world experience that will be of benefit throughout your life. At Centre, we're committed to helping students find quality internship experiences in the career area of their choice.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Louis Rodgers '15 was awarded a summer internship at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. "This internship really excited me because I was finally able to practice some of the complex biochemistry laboratory techniques that I've only learned about in class at Centre," said Rodgers. During the academic year, he was a research assistant for Kerry Paumi, Assistant Professor of Chemistry at Centre, who was instrumental in helping Rodgers secure the internship.



Centre connections lead to an internship abroad for Margaret Kaus '16. She worked at the U.S. Embassy in Skopje, Macedonia with Ryan Stoner '00. "I've been interested in the Foreign Service for a while, and Mindy Wilson, my career counselor at Centre, put me in touch with Ryan," says Kaus, a double major in politics and international studies. Stoner answered Kaus' questions about work with the Department of State and Foreign Service, which made it easy for her to choose an internship when application time rolled around.

WHERE HAVE CENTRE STUDENTS INTERNED?

- Alltech Biotechnology Inc.
- American History Museum
- Amnesty International
- Berkshire Theatre Festival
- The Cabbage Patch Settlement House
- Cabrini-Green Legal Aid
- Center for Disease Control
- Central Baptist Hospital
- Cincinnati Zoo
- CNN
- Community Arts Center
- Copperhead Environmental Consulting
- Danville Advocate-Messenger
- Danville Orthopedics and Sports Medicine
- DC Scores
- Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center
- Farmers National Bank
- Heartland Veterinary Hospital
- Hilliard Lyons
- Johns Hopkins University
- Kentucky Educational Television (KET)
- Kentucky Historical Society
- Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft
- Kentucky Refugee Ministries
- Kentucky Trust Company
- Kentucky World Trade Center
- Lexington Herald-Leader
- Louisville Zoo
- National Institute of Health (NIH)
- San Antonio Museum of Art
- Sarabande Books
- Senator Harry Reid's Office
- Senator Mitch McConnell's Office
- Smithsonian Institute
- Sony Pictures/Yari Film Group
- State Farm Insurance
- Toyota
- University of Kentucky Horticulture Research Farm
- U.S. Department of State
- U.S. Office of Naval Intelligence
- U.S.-Asia Institute
- Vice Presidential Debate Steering Committee

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