

## Internship Program Information

Thank you for your willingness to partner with the Career and Professional Development Center!

You are providing a valuable educational opportunity for our students.

## Internship Basics

- Students completing an internship for credit are covered under Messiah's liability insurance policy.
- Internships run concurrently with the semester schedule.

  \*\*An intern may work before or after these dates; this is just the time frame for the online course. Interns may continue work at the site prior to and after the course itself is complete.
- One credit hour is the equivalent of 40 hours of onsite work over the semester (e.g., three credits will work a minimum of 120 hours during the semester).
- Students can work more than the minimum number of hours that they have registered.
- Messiah University does not regulate the compensation of student interns. If your
  organization is a for-profit business, compensation is expected and virtually mandated by
  federal regulations. Many students work their way through college and often give up
  paying, part-time positions to take an internship. Receiving some form of remuneration is
  appreciated. If your organization (for-profit or non-profit) is unable to offer a regular
  wage, consider helping the students with a stipend or internship-related expenses such as
  parking fees, mileage, meals, etc.
- Students are required to complete assignments for the internship class component.

## Supervisor Requirements

- Read & sign the Agency Memo of Understanding, unless an Affiliation Agreement is already in place.
- Read & sign the intern's Learning Objectives. The intern will write the objectives but may need your input.
- Sign the Work Reflection Log at the end of the semester. This log provides the documentation of the intern's hours and accomplishments and will affect the student's final grade.
- Complete the Suitable "Observer Assessment." The electronic email will be emailed to you by Suitable and will take 10-15 minutes to complete. The purpose of the evaluation is to educate your intern to encourage them and help them grow.
- Students will have additional internship course assignments that you are not responsible for.

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