

ISU College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Career Services 2019 Summer Internship Survey

Survey Participants

790 (Fall 2019 classification - 238 Sophomores, 225 Juniors, 327 Seniors)

Survey questions-

Participation in a structured internship/work experience – 535 respondents

Participation in a non-relevant work experience or other activity – 238 respondents

Enrolled in summer school only – 17 respondents

The following data is reflective of students immersed in a structured internship/work experience:

- 1) 13.5% received college credit for their internship experience. Average experience = 2.93 credits.
- 2) How did student obtain summer internship?

Career Fair/Career Services	43.3%	Personal Networking	37.2%
Advisor/Department	7.8%	Other	11.7%
- 3) Internship Location

Iowa	68.3%	Out-of-State	31.7%
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- 4) Internship Duration

<8 weeks	3.4%	10-11 weeks	15.9%
8-9 weeks	6.4%	12+ weeks	74.3%
- 5) Date of Internship Offer

October/earlier	23.7%	January	6.4%	April/later	25.7%
November	15.6%	February	6.2%		
December	8.0%	March	14.4%		
- 6) Was housing assistance provided?

Yes	27.0%	No	73.0%
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- 7) Compensation

Hourly wage	88.1%	\$14.05/hour average (444 responses)	
		(Soph \$12.48, Jr \$14.03, Sr \$14.83)	
		(Range: Soph \$8.75-26, Jr \$7.25-23, Sr \$8-25)	
Monthly stipend	6.3%	\$2,280/month average (32 responses)	
Unpaid	5.6%	(28 responses)	
- 8) Did the internship include a signing bonus?

Yes	6.3%	(average: \$1,129 range: \$150-3,000)	No	93.7%
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- 9) Were there additional benefits associated with the internship?

Yes	57.3%	No	42.7%
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Benefits included vehicle, mileage reimbursement, computer/technologies, cell phone, clothing, meals, gas card, safety wear, educational seminars/field trips, gift card, parking, airfare (domestic and international), zoo admission, venue discounts, public transportation and 401K contribution.
- 10) Did the internship include an independent capstone project?

Yes	45.1%	No	54.9%
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- 11) As a non-graduating senior, did you receive an offer to return next summer?

Yes	61.2%	No	38.8%
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- 12) Was the offer to return accepted?

Yes	15.6%	No	84.4%
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- 13) As a graduating senior, did the internship result in a full-time job offer?

Yes	21.5%	(50/233 seniors)
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- 14) Was the full-time offer accepted?

Yes	28.0%	No	72.0%
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- 15) Quality of internship mentor

Excellent	46.5%	Satisfactory	14.0%
Good	38.7%	Poor	0.8%
- 16) Would you recommend this internship to fellow students?

Yes	89.5%	No	10.5%
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