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%

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%

7) Compensation
   Hourly wage 88.1%  $14.05/hour average (444 responses)
   (Range: Soph $12.48, Jr $14.03, Sr $14.83)
   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%

9) Were there additional benefits associated with the internship?  Yes 57.3%  No 42.7%
   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%

11) As a non-graduating senior, did you receive an offer to return next summer?  Yes 61.2%  No 38.8%

12) Was the offer to return accepted?  Yes 15.6%  No 84.4%

13) As a graduating senior, did the internship result in a full-time job offer?  Yes 21.5% (50/233 seniors)

14) Was the full-time offer accepted?  Yes 28.0%  No 72.0%

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%