Internship Search Guide

Internships provide real work experience, opportunities to explore careers, development of transferable skills, and networking opportunities. Dornsife Compass provides students the ability to search and apply for internships, jobs, and volunteer opportunities from a vast selection of career industries. Log-in to Compass to personalize your user profile and upload your résumé. 5-minutes is all it takes to get you started!

Set-up Dornsife Compass account
1) Visit dornsife.usc.edu/careerpathways/compass/
2) Sign-on with Single Sign-On (SSO)
3) Create your profile

Compass Internship databases
• Compass | Job and internship listings
• Aftercollege | Internship and job network
• Glass Door | Internship/job database with insights
• GoinGlobal | Domestic and International internships/jobs
• Interstride | Job search for international students
• RippleMatch | Jobs and internships
• UCAN Internship Exchange

connectSC Internship databases
• connectSC | Job and internship listings
• ArtSearch | Careers in the arts
• Bio Careers | For Graduate and PhD students
• Bridge Music Connection
• Environmental Career Opportunities
• Opportunities in Public Affairs
• Firsthand | Industry intelligence and internship programs
• Versatile PhD | Career opportunities for PhDs

Other Internship databases
• LinkedIn | Professional network w/ career opportunities
• Internships.com | Centralized internships listings
• Paragon One | Coaching to secure jobs and internships
• InsideSherpa | Virtual/remote work experience programs

Internship courses
Academic credit is available for paid or unpaid internships through concurrent enrollment in internship courses at USC. Undergraduate internship courses are as follow:

- ACCT 495
- AMST 365
- ANTH 393
- BAEP 495
- BUAD 495
- COMM 205x
- COMM 496x
- CNTV 495
- EALC 366
- ENST 396
- FA 419
- GEOG 397
- HP 480
- IR 391
- ITP 480x
- JOUR 090x
- MDA 250
- MOR 495
- MUIN 450
- MUSC 498x
- POSC 395
- PPD 301
- SWMS 311
- THTR 489

Campus Internship Programs

Gupta Family Internship Fund
Funds to defray costs of summer internships for qualified undergraduate USC Dornsife students
dornsife.usc.edu/careerpathways/gupta-internship-fund/

Dornsife Gateway Internship Program
Internship, leadership and mentorship summer program and funding for unpaid internships for eligible Dornsife majors and minors. dornsife.usc.edu/gatewayinternships

USC Dream Dollars
Funding for non-profit and government fields.
careers.usc.edu/dream-dollars

First Generation Scholarship Program
Funding for first generation students who secure unpaid summer internship. careers.usc.edu/firstgenscholarship

For more campus programs visit: dornsife.usc.edu/careerpathways/internship-programs/
Internship Search Keywords

The following are keywords commonly used by internship and job search databases available on Dornsife Compass and connectSC. Filter internship search using the keywords listed below. Keywords are clustered by similarity of job function and/or industry. Search the position and industry of interest, as well as the relative positions and industries provided below.

Accounting | Actuarial | Finance | Insurance
Advertising | Brand Management/Product Management
Agricultural
AI/Robotics | Electronics | Engineering
Airlines and aviation

Allied Health | Chiropractic | Dentistry | Health and Medicine
Nursing | Optometry | Physician

Animal Care | Veterinary medicine
Architecture and Planning | Design
Arts | Dance | Music | Theatre | Visual arts | Entertainment
Banking | Investment and Securities
Biotechnology | Medical Technology
Broadcast and Digital Media | Interactive Media | Journalism
Business | Small business
Buying/Purchasing | E-commerce
Child Care | Home Services | Personal Services
Cleaning and Custodial Services

Communications, Corporate | Digital Communication
Telecommunications

Computer Science | Information Systems, Management
Technology/technological science

Construction
Consulting
Consumer products | Merchandising | Retail/wholesale | Sales
Education: K-12 | Education: Postsecondary | Teaching
Environment
Events and Meeting Planning
Fashion | Modeling and Cosmetology
Film | Publishing radio | Television and radio
Food and beverage service
Fundraising/Development
Government | Political Organization/Lobbying

Health and Hospital Administration | Public health
Hotel and resorts | Tourism | Travel and hospitality
Industrial trades | Manufacturing | Production | Warehousing
International Relations

Judicial | Law | Law Enforcement and Criminology
Legal Support Services

Language and Culture/Translation
Library and Information Science | Museum Work

Life Sciences | Physical Sciences | Science and Mathematics
Social Sciences

Management | Human Resources | Staffing and executive search
Administrative/Support Services

Market Research | Marketing | Promotions
Media and entertainment | New Media | Print and Digital Media
Military
Mortuary service
Nonprofit | Volunteer

Operations | Project Management
Supply Chain Management/Logistics

Outdoor and adventure | Recreation | Sports and Recreation
Pharmacology | Pharmacy | Pharmacy/Pharmaceuticals
Psychological Services | Therapy
Public Relations
Publishing | Literary Arts | Technical Writing | Writing
Real Estate
Religious service
Research
Social Services | Social Work
Transportation
Utilities