

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING Newsletter

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SEARCHING FOR CAREER EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

Gaining career-related experience is **invaluable** in terms of making you more **marketable** after you graduate. Usually, students gain this experience by participating in internships or Co-Ops, but sometimes career-related experience is required as part of a capstone, practicum, or research project.

Do your homework and begin to plan.

Before committing to an experience, begin to plan. Think about where you want to work and what kind of work you would like to be doing. Which skills are you hoping to gain and improve upon? Also, check with your academic advisor if career-related experiences are required for your academic program and/or if you can get academic credit for the experience.

Begin your search early.

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Consider what kind of organization you want to work for (corporate/private, government, nonprofits, etc.) and what type of industries you would want to work in. When you search for opportunities, be strategic and use specific job titles. O*Net <u>https://www.onetonline.org/</u> is a great tool that can help you with knowing some of the job titles to search for.

With thousands of vetted opportunities, **Handshake** is our preferred career search platform. There are also other career platforms to search for opportunities such as Indeed, Glassdoor, and LinkedIn. Links to many of these resources can be found at <u>www.marshall.edu/gainexperience</u>. Some other suggestions include:

- a. Attending our campus Career Fair.
- b. Sign up for a virtual company information session on Handshake.
- c. Search industry-specific job boards.
- d. Join an internship group on Facebook or Reddit.
- e. Look for opportunities directly on company websites.
- f. Consider opportunities with state or federal governments.
- g. Search social media hashtags (example: #internships on X platform).
- h. Ask your professors.
- i. Look for job postings on professional organizations related to your industry.



Create your résumé and have it reviewed.

As a best practice, have one résumé that you update to the job you are applying for. It is generally not best to send the same résumé to every company you apply for. Take the time to tailor your résumé to the job, highlighting your specific skills, experience, and education. If you have not had any work experience, don't worry – we all must start somewhere. You can make connections to the job you are applying for by highlighting your education, volunteer work, or even athletics.

Optimize your digital presence.

As a best practice, we suggest keeping your social media private. Still, be careful what you post online and avoid posts that are crude or about topics that might be considered offensive or controversial. Consider creating a **LinkedIn** account to search for opportunities and network with others. According to CNBC (2022), 70% of jobs and internships are filled through networking.

Identify your references.

5 References are usually checked during the last stage of the interview process, but you must prepare them in advance. The best references come from people who can speak on your professionalism, education, and skills. Be sure to ask before you use someone as a reference, and keep your references updated on your search.

Try not to become discouraged. Sometimes it may take a while to

Sometimes, it may take a while to land the right opportunity. It is perfectly acceptable to follow up with an employer to check on the status of your application. If you are not selected for an opportunity, try not to take it personally. You can also ask the employer if they have any feedback to help you improve for the future.

Help is a click away.Visit the Office of Ca

Visit the Office of Career Education website at

https://www.marshall.edu/careereducation for a plethora of career help resources such as our upcoming events schedule, résumé templates, interviewing tips, and even schedule an appointment with a dedicated and experienced Career Coach. Once you land your opportunity, be sure to tell us about it!



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HOW TO TRACK YOUR EXPERIENCE IN HANDSHAKE

If you are currently completing or will be completing hands-on career experiences such as an internship, capstone, Co-Op, or practicum, **you need to track your experience using Handshake.**

Documenting your experience is **easy** and allows you to demonstrate to future employers that you have relevant experience. Also, we use the information provided to help other students by growing our academic programs.



Navigate to the "Student Experience Application" form in Handshake. Visit <u>https://marshall.joinhandshake.com/stu/experiences/new</u> to complete.



Complete the form.

The application form will vary depending on your program, but generally, you will be asked to provide general information about where you will be working and what you will be doing.

- a. Be sure to select the correct form under "Experience Template." If your Experience is part of your academic program, your college or department may have you select the form for their specific program. If your Experience is not required for your program, use the "Experience General Tracking Form." If you have questions about which form to complete, please see your academic advisor or email <u>sanders28@marshall.edu</u> in the Office of Career Education.
- b. Select the correct term for when you will be completing the experience (for example, "Summer 2024").

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Obtain the necessary approvals.

After you complete the Student Experience form, Handshake will, in most cases, automatically notify any required approvers. *

Become registered for the class.

After you are approved, your academic advisor will register you for the necessary class.

* If you are completing the experience as part of an academic program requirement, the approver will most likely be a college/department contact. Some programs may require additional approvals, such as your supervisor at the host employer. If you are not completing the experience as part of an academic program, the approver will be the Office of Career Education. Please consult your college/department or the Office of Career Education if you have questions.



RECENT INTERNSHIPS/CO-OP POSTINGS IN HANDSHAKE

Last updated: 3/29/24

For more information on these opportunities and to apply, visit Handshake.

Company/Organization Name	Created	Industry	State
USDA Agricultural Research Service (ARS)	2024-03-21	Eastern Mountain Regional Field Office NAS	KY
Trane Technologies	2024-03-22	Design Intern	KY
Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet	2024-03-27	Legal Intern	KY
YouthWorks	45378	Summer Ministry Internship (Paid)	KY
PPL Corporation	2024-03-28	HR Intern II	KY
DHL Express	45380	Customer Operations Intern - Erlanger, KY	KY
CVS Health	2024-03-31	Retail Management Internship - Louisville	KY
AmTrust Insurance	2024-03-22	Sales Internship - Summer 2024	ОН
Famous Supply	2024-03-22	IT Infrastructure Intern	ОН
Union County Family YMCA	2024-03-22	YMCA Youth Sports Intern	ОН
DuCharme, McMillen & Associates (DMA)	2024-03-25	Transaction Tax Summer Intern	ОН
Kent Displays, Inc.	2024-03-25	Marketing Intern	ОН
National Park Service	2024-03-25	Student Trainee Park Guide	ОН
City of Cincinnati	2024-03-26	MSD Youth Y2WK Summer Intern	ОН
National Interstate Insurance	2024-03-26	Underwriting Internship (Hybrid)	ОН
Northwestern Mutual - Cincinnati & Dayton	2024-03-26	Wealth Management Internship	ОН
Ohio Department of Transportation	2024-03-26	Construction/Engineering Design)	ОН
Lumio	2024-03-27	Highest Paying Summer Sales	ОН
National Aeronautics and Space Admin	2024-03-27	Engineering	ОН
WM - Waste Management	2024-03-27	Civil/Environmental Engineer	ОН
Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Edu	2024-03-28	Aerospace Physiology Research Fellowship	ОН
Studio Institute	2024-03-28	Julia De Burgos Cultural Arts Center	ОН
Copeland	2024-03-29	Fall Sales Co-op	ОН
Ohio Department of Dev. Disabilities	2024-03-29	College Intern	ОН
Schneider Electric	2024-03-29	Manufacturing Intern	ОН
Storage Scholars	2024-03-29	Moving Coordinator	ОН
High Rocks Educational Corp.	2024-03-26	Summer Intern High Rocks Academy	WV
Stewards Individual Placement Program	2024-03-26	Youth Empowerment	WV
Trilogy Innovations	2024-03-27	Finance and Accounting Internship	WV
WVSU TRIO Programs	2024-03-28	Summer Tutor/Counselor	WV
Retirement Unlimited, Inc.	2024-03-29	Counsel/Legal Intern	WV



For more information, contact Michaela Arthur at arthurmi@marshall.edu Office of Student Conduct www.marshall.edu

ATTENTION GRADUATE STUDENTS!

The Office of Student Conduct is hiring a Graduate Assistant for the 24/25 academic year.

Working as a GA in the Office of Student Conduct has been incredibly rewarding. It's fulfilling to know that I'm making a positive impact on students' lives and contributing to the Marshall community. The supportive environment, valuable training, and opportunities for collaboration have not only enhanced my professional skills but also boosted my confidence in handling complex situations. I highly recommend this position to other graduate students who are passionate about student advocacy and making a difference.

Jessica Bailey, Student Conduct GA





Information Resource Management

U.S. DEPARTMENT of STATE

Foreign Service Diplomatic Technology Officer

Diplomatic Technology Officers (DTO) serve key roles in U.S. embassies and consulates overseas by applying technology solutions to the business of diplomacy. DTOs work in a dynamic and fast paced international environment, utilizing a variety of IT skills such as:

- system administration
- cybersecurity
- network engineering
- business analytics
- project management





You will be at the heart of technology support for diplomacy, working on projects that are vital to our national interests and performing mission critical activities such as assisting special diplomatic events. Join the ranks of Diplomatic Technology Officers,

where technology meets diplomacy, and shape a future where IT professionals play a pivotal role in enabling U.S. diplomacy. The Foreign Service offers a family-friendly benefits package, along with a stable career and clear progression path. **DTOs are eligible for:**





- Generous benefits—Federal retirement plan; paid annual, parental, and sick leave; rest and recuperation leave; life and health insurance; U.S. and local country paid holidays; and student loan repayment
- Special pay and incentives—10 or 15 percent additional pay for attainment of specific IT credentials, locality, hardship, and/or danger pay, paid moving expenses; paid housing or a housing allowance; and paid education for dependent children (K-12) at top rated international schools



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The U.S. Department of State currently has open DTO slots and qualified applicants are in demand to serve as diplomats living and working both overseas and domestically in Washington, DC; Wherever a DTO is, their actions make a difference globally. Work assignments are typically 2 to 3 years, allowing ample opportunity to explore interesting locations abroad. The Department of State values professionals from diverse educational and cultural backgrounds who possess essential skills in leadership, critical thinking, and problem solving

combined with sound judgement and an eagerness to embrace the challenge of an IT career abroad representing America. Put your skills to work in helping us transform the technology landscape of diplomats.



At the time of the application, applicants MUST have one of the following:

- High school diploma or GED certificate and 5 years of specialized IT experience; or
- Associates or higher degree in an IT-related field; *or* Associates or higher degree in a non- IT field and 2 years of specialized experience; *or*
- Served in a United States Military IT Specialty Code, or Civil Service IT Specialty, or as an IT contractor to the USG, and 2 years of specialized experience

Specialized IT Experience: Qualifying Specialized Experience must demonstrate the potential to perform in progressively more responsible positions in the information technology field. An applicant's work experience will be evaluated for level of responsibility and length of experience.

All applicants MUST meet the following requirements:

- Be a U. S. citizen and accept assignments based on the needs of the foreign service
- Be able to obtain a Top Secret SCI Security Clearance
- Be able to obtain a favorable Suitability Review Panel determination
- Be at least 20 years old to apply; 21 years old to be appointed
- Be appointed prior to age 60 (preference eligible veterans excepted)

Evaluations: Candidates will be evaluated on their total background including experience, education, awards, training, and self-development as it relates to the position.



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2024 SUMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

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The West Virginia Departments of Health, Health Facilities, and Human Services are welcoming applications for its Internship Program from driven and compassionate students who are seeking a meaningful work experience and whose goals align with the goals of the three departments.

QUALIFIED STUDENTS

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- Solution Must have successfully completed 30 hours of college credits.
- Or Must have a minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA.
- States without sponsorship.

For an internship application visit https://dhhr.wv.gov/Pages/Career-Opportunities.aspx

INTERNSHIP BENEFITS

- Flexible Schedules 20-40 hours per week up to 10 weeks
- Competitive Wage Paid Bi-Weekly
- Free Housing For those choosing to work in Charleston, WV









WE'RE HIRING - APPLY NOW

Envision starting your career working side by side with innovation and intellectual property (IP) leaders as part of USPTO's undergraduate student program for rising juniors. Here we celebrate, support, and thrive by building the bridge between IP and innovation. Join us as a part of the <u>Council for Inclusive Innovation (Cl²)</u> that makes meaningful changes with an impact across the IP Community.

This exciting **paid** internship opportunity is **full-time**, **telework during summer breaks and part-time during the school year**. It will start in the summer of 2024, and will not exceed 2 years.



As a USPTO Innovation Intern, you will receive practical, virtual hands-on experience by engaging in a variety of diverse and ambitious activities.

This exciting opportunity is ideal for you if...

• You're inspired by innovative environments that allow you to contribute to the accomplishment of organizational goals.

- You're interested in engaging directly with agency leadership to gain insight into the USPTO mission by participating in regular senior level sessions.
- You desire to explore federal careers while completing your education.
- You enjoy learning through routine and recurring developmental assignments which will help acquire knowledge and understanding of functions, principles, practices, and methods used in the areas of innovation and intellectual property while completing your education.
- You're committed to training and development on various topics relating to the USPTO and government service.
- You're interested in getting experience in legal writing and analysis.
- You're excited about assisting with special projects and new initiatives including preparing and delivering a capstone project with a group of fellow interns.
- You're a relationship builder who finds enjoyment in participating in group/team assignments and assisting with research, analysis, statistics and reporting out your findings.
- You're an effective writer who finds interest in drafting various documents and reports, creating spreadsheets and charts, etc., to present a variety of data and information.
- Assisting with IT projects excites you.
- You're enthused and interested in observing appeal hearings, cases, and panels.

Some things you should know:

- This is a temporary, not to exceed 2-year paid internship position and is graded at a <u>GS-4</u>.
- You must be a U.S. citizen or National.
- Candidates must be at least 16 years of age, should be working towards an undergraduate bachelor's degree and be a rising junior in a qualifying educational institution, and be in good academic standing (GPA of 2.5 or higher).
- Students are expected to work as many hours as possible during regular business hours 8:30am-5pm ET on Mondays through Fridays.
- As part of your application package, you will be required to provide a written statement explaining why you would like to participate in the <u>Council for Inclusive</u> <u>Innovation</u> internship and what you would like to gain from the experience (10,000-character limit).
- Students on a trimester schedule will be accommodated.
- The duties assigned to this position are authorized to be performed in the United States (currently defined as the fifty states and the District of Columbia) and Puerto Rico.

Sound like the perfect opportunity for you?

WE'RE HIRING APPLY NOW

If you have any questions related to work-life at USPTO, feel free to get in touch with our HR team at <u>recruitment@uspto.gov</u>. Also be sure to follow us on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, or <u>Instagram</u> for additional tips and updates.

We wish you luck on taking the next step in your career journey. We truly hope to be a part of it!

For more information about the job requirements and the hiring process, please visit the USPTO Jobs Website at: <u>www.uspto.gov/jobs</u>

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Marshall University and CDI Engineering Solutions is pleased to offer you a stellar opportunity to gain experience and jump-start your professional career by applying to our Co-Op Program. (www.cdiengineeringsolutions.com)



A Co-Op is full-time (35-40 hours per week), paid employment for 2-3 semesters. The goal of Co-Op is to give you the opportunity to connect with industry and integrate academics into a professional setting. This will help you to become a marketable employee in the competitive workplace and build relationships in your field.

Some of our Co-Op students have worked on:

- * Tesla Lithium battery plant in Austin Tx.
- * Syntheic fuels facility in Ohio
- * Synthetic graphite plant in southern WV
- * Various Hydrogen and Amonia plants nationwide
- * Dow Chemical locations throughout North America

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- **1.** Review Co-Op opportunities and apply on Handshake.
- 2. Have your résumé reviewed by a Office of Career Education Career Coach (if needed).
- **3.** You will be notified by CDI Engineering Solutions if selected for an interview.
- 4. Schedule an appointment with the Office of Career Education to discuss next steps if hired.

Contact John Skaff: john.skaff@cdicorp.com or 304.545.8585 or Rodney Sanders: sanders28@marshall.edu, 304.696.6051 for questions.

Kent A. Leonhardt, Commissioner Joseph L. Hatton, Deputy Commissioner



Employment Opportunity

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) is hiring individuals from the Central, Western, and Southern areas of West Virginia for the 2024 Spongy Moth (*Lymantria dispar*) trapping season, which is typically from April 1st to August 31st. Positions are associated with the Slow the Spread Project (STSP) that is cooperative with the USDA Forest Service.

Individuals who are 18 years of age (required) with backgrounds in entomology, plant pathology, forestry, or other biological sciences, or equivalent experience are preferred. It is imperative that individuals be able to read and use topographic maps, as well as be able to use GPS devices.

Seasonal employee starting pay is \$13 per hour. Employee must provide their own transportation and will be reimbursed for the use of their vehicle, at \$0.655 per mile.

For more information and/or the application, contact Kelly Riffe at the following:

Office Phone: 304-558-2212

Email: kriffe@wvda.us

Address: WVDA, Plant Industries Division, 1900 Kanawha Blvd. East, Charleston, WV 25305

Return applications to Kelly Riffe at the above address or by email.

www.agriculture.wv.gov

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A Few Hundred Reasons to Apply!

Toyota Production Engineering has approximately 200 co-ops per year. We use the co-op pipeline as a primary resource for full-time employment in Production Engineering. Most of our co-ops receive full-time offers up to 12 months before graduation.

Learn and Grow

All Toyota Production Engineering co-ops are paired with an engineer to mentor them throughout their term(s). Many of our co-ops return to Toyota Production Engineering for more than one term, exposing them to the many facets of the Production Engineering division.

Co-op terms:

- Spring (Jan-April)
 - Summer (May-August)
 Fall (August-December)

Co-ops who meet performance expectations are given priority on returning for future terms and can request locations and timing.

Requirements:

- Must be enrolled in a 4-year accredited college seeking a bachelor's degree
 Must be a US Citizen and not need
- sponsorship now or in the future Must have a minimum 2.7 GPA
- Must have reliable transportation
 Must be willing to work at least 40 hours
- per week Some travel may be required

Benefits:

Competitive hourly wages: Pay is based on current school classification and location of the co-op term.

Housing stipend: Co-ops relocating more than 50 miles from their home are eligible to receive a housing stipend and relocation benefits. We also have a 3rd party company, Mobility Empowered, to help connect co-ops with one another in case they want to room together. Assistance is also available in finding suitable housing.





John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellowship Program

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Program Overview:

The John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellows Program is a one year paid civilian fellowship program designed to provide leadership development for the commencement of a career track toward senior leadership in the Department of Defense (DoD).

Program Highlights:

- Gain DoD experience in the Office of the Secretary of Defense or the Office of a Military Service Secretary
- Develop leadership capabilities to flourish into a problem solver, strategic thinker, and future leader
- Learning and development opportunities
- Mentorship by a DoD senior leader
- Potential for a career within the DoD
- Student loan and relocation incentives



Additional Program Details

Application Requirements:

Applicants are evaluated on their technical and professional excellence, character, commitment to public service and academic achievement.

- Advanced degree Master's Degree and above
- Passing background and security investigations
- Completed application package
- Resume
- Official Transcripts
- Endorsement from graduate institutions
- Letters of recommendation
- Proof of citizenship or lawful permanent residence
- Academic writing sample
- Personal statement to provide career areas of interest and motivations to serve in the DoD
- Must have graduate degree, or within 6 months of graduation upon application

Career Fields:

- Policy
- Financial Management
- Intel
- Contracting, Acquisition, and Logistics
- Program Management
- Cyber
- STEM Fields: Science and Technology Management, Engineering, IT, Data Science, Data Analytics

Cohort 5 applications will be accepted in early 2024.

For additional program information, visit https://www.whs.mil/McCain-Fellows-Program.

Contact the McCain Fellow Program Office at whs.mccainfellows@mail.mil.







The Disney College Program is a paid internship comprised of living, learning and earning components that is offered at the *Walt Disney World®* Resort and *Disneyland®* Resort. From exclusive events and backstage access, to making lifelong memories with participants from across the globe, our program is truly one-of-a-kind!

LIVING

- **d** Housing complexes are located near each Resort
- Exclusive events and programming are held weekly within these complexes
- Amenities include security, laundry, high-speed internet, pools, gyms and more!
- Weekly housing costs are determined by unit size and number of occupants

EARNING

- From costumes to role responsibilities, no two jobs are the same!
- Applicants have the opportunity to express interest in the roles for which they would like to be considered
- More than 20 different positions are offered across theme parks, resorts, water parks, mini-golf and Downtown Disney District/Disney Springs
- Participants work the equivalent of a full-time schedule and must have full work availability, including days, nights, weekends and holidays

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- An array of collegiate, seminar and self-paced courses are offered on both coasts
- Training classes, professional and personal development activities and networking opportunities are also available
- Disney's education program provides a unique and comprehensive experiential learning opportunity

QUICK FACTS

- 💕 Established: 1981
- Recruiting seasons: Spring and Fall, with extended programs available
- **V** Annual program participation: 12,000-13,000 participants
- Applicants must have completed at least one semester of college, be 18 years of age upon arrival and are currently taking classes at an accredited program or institution or graduated within the past six months
- 🖌 All majors are welcome





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