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Sofia Augustine-Adams (International Letters and Visual Studies, CMS, 2016)
Audience Engagement and Media Intern
Part-time, 25 hours per week
Unpaid

What do you do as an intern at this organization?
As an intern at NECIR, I work as part of the audience engagement and outreach team and as a multimedia creator. I do research on which publications and organizations will be interested in our stories, I run our Instagram account, and I get to create visual content to go with the investigations. I shoot both photos and videos that are incorporated into stories.

How did you find your internship?
I found my internship through the Experimental College at Tufts.

What do you enjoy most about your internship?
I love that I am getting hands-on journalism experience. For example, I photographed Massachusetts fishermen who were fishing in lakes with mercury warnings for an investigation on potentially rising mercury levels in MA. I am not often stuck getting coffee or sitting in the office.

What do you find challenging?
The most challenging part about this internship is that it is unpaid. I have to balance my time between this internship and jobs that pay.

What advice would you offer to someone who wants to make the most of an internship like yours?
The most important element when applying for internships or jobs similar to this one is having a story, documentary, photo essay, or other product that you have produced and completed. Being able to show a potential employer that you have past experience while showcasing your skills and interests proves to employers that they will not have to train you from scratch, and that you can start producing interesting content right away.

About the Organization
New England Center for Investigative Reporting
Boston, MA

We produce more than just great stories. Our investigative reporting has a real impact on the world — influencing legislation, overturning wrongful convictions, and holding the powerful accountable.
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- Manal Cheema (Political Science, Cognitive and Brain Sciences, 2017)
- Special Victims Unit Intern
- Part-time, 24 hours a week hours per week
- Unpaid

What do you do as an intern at this organization?
I assisted with daily case intake and management, researched case law and statutes, as well as prepared documents for court proceedings. I worked closely with the Administrative Assistant and Victim Witness Advocates in the unit, serving as the only intern, and took responsibility for managing the victim's hotline. Finally, I created and updated the 2013 database of all cases related to the Special Victims Unit.

How did you find your internship?
Through the Norfolk DA Website

What do you enjoy most about your internship?
I enjoy the learning experience of having so much exposure to these types of cases as well as being introduced to criminal law. I live in this district, so it has been fascinating to see what types of crimes take place in the town I live in and the surrounding towns.

What do you find challenging?
I find the material I work with to be the most challenging. Sexual assault and other abuse cases, especially when it concerns children, are quite jarring to read and work with. However, the office is comforting and the advocates and staff are always willing to talk about the cases.

What advice would you offer to someone who wants to make the most of an internship like yours?
I would recommend that you get to know the victim witness advocates as much as you can. The stronger your relationship is, the more likely they are willing to bring you to their court sessions, which is a wonderful opportunity. If you can, go to the weekly field trips put on by the Internship program, as they bring you to different courts, jails, and fascinating presentations by state troopers and attorneys. The application deadline is generally around February 6.

About the Organization
Norfolk District Attorney Michael Morrissey's Office
Canton, MA

The Family Violence/Special Victims Unit handles cases of domestic violence, stalking, sexual assault, child abuse, elder and disabled person abuse. The unit is comprised of specially-trained assistant district attorneys, victim witness advocates, and state police troopers. The unit investigates and prosecutes cases and provides victim and witness support.

- Eric Halliday (Political Science, Italian Studies, 2016)
- Investigative Intern
- Full-time, 40 hours per week
- Paid

**What do you do as an intern at this organization?**
The Public Defender Service (PDS) provides legal representation to people charged in felony criminal cases who cannot afford an attorney. I assist my supervising staff investigator and my supervising attorneys in investigating specific cases. My tasks include gathering documents, serving subpoenas, finding and interviewing witnesses, and documenting crime scenes.

**How did you find your internship?**
This internship is listed in the legal jobs and internships section of the Tufts pre-law webpage.

**What do you enjoy most about your internship?**
The work that I do actually matters. I cannot overstate how rewarding it is to interview a witness or find a crucial piece of information that helps my supervising attorney build a case. Our clients are incredibly disadvantaged and to know that I'm helping them is a fantastic feeling.

**What do you find challenging?**
It can be frustrating to spend all day trying to find witnesses and records, only to come up empty-handed. That's part of the job, but it's not enjoyable to return to the office after a long day driving around DC with seemingly nothing new to show for your efforts.

**What advice would you offer to someone who wants to make the most of an internship like yours?**
Apply early, as it's typically a competitive position. There's a schedule on the PDS website with all the various application deadlines. If you're accepted, make the most of it. Volunteer for new tasks, ask your attorneys to give you meaningful work, and generally try to squeeze every inch of experience out of your time.

**About the Organization**
Public Defender Service for Washington, D.C.
Washington, D.C.

The Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia (PDS) provides and promotes quality legal representation to indigent adults and children facing a loss of liberty in the District of Columbia and thereby protects society’s interest in the fair administration of justice. PDS is regarded as one of the best public defender offices in the country—local or federal. It is the benchmark by which other public defender systems often measure themselves.
ThePublicInterestLawCenter | www.pilcop.org

- Garden Justice Legal Initiative Intern
- Full-time, 35-40 hours per week
- Unpaid but receiving Career Center Internship Grant

What do you do as an intern at this organization?
I manage social media for the Garden Justice Legal Initiative (GJLI). Also, I organize and prepare for events which includes making flyers and print materials. Outside of my normal workday, such as during the evening or on weekends, I set up, attend, and break down events. I also visit gardens and farms.

How did you find your internship?
Organization website

What do you enjoy most about your internship?
My supervisor Kirtrina is INCREDIBLE! My favorite part is getting to know the food justice community in Philadelphia by attending events and gardens/farms.

What do you find challenging?
Being in an office all summer and working on the computer a lot.

What advice would you offer to someone who wants to make the most of an internship like yours?
Apply early! I applied in December and had my summer pretty much set up before spring semester, which made the spring less stressful. Get to know the other interns - I started enjoying the office SO MUCH more when I began going to lunch with other folks in the office and becoming friends with them! It made the atmosphere a lot more welcoming.

About the Organization
The Public Interest Law Center
Philadelphia, PA

The Law Center works to promote the interests of community gardeners and urban farmers in marginalized Philadelphia neighborhoods. In 2011, the Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia launched the Garden Justice Legal Initiative (GJLI), with support from the Skadden Fellowship Foundation. The goal of the project is to provide pro bono legal support, policy research and advocacy, and community education and organizing to community gardeners and market farmers in the Philadelphia region.
Erica Warfield (International Relations, Economics minor, 2016)
Strategic Initiatives Intern
Full-time, 35 hours per week
Paid

What do you do as an intern at this organization?
As a strategy intern at a global law firm, one of my key tasks is supporting the firm's geographical expansion. This summer I have been doing research on the legal market in areas where the firm has recently opened offices or plans to potentially expand in the future.

How did you find your internship?
Jumbo Jobs

What do you enjoy most about your internship?
I have really enjoyed getting to know the firm from a 360-degree perspective, since strategy is involved with so many different areas within the firm. Rather than learn about a specific practice area, I have been given the chance to touch on a lot of them.

What do you find challenging?
It can be very hard to coordinate with other members of the strategy team because everyone is so busy with different deadlines. Our meetings often got moved around when a project took priority.

What advice would you offer to someone who wants to make the most of an internship like yours?
I think it is important to branch out of your specific job function and get to know others working around you. Learning about various jobs can help you find things you might be interested in. Applications for this position were due around February/March.

About the Organization
Ropes & Gray LLP
Boston, MA

Ropes & Gray has always focused on providing clients with the highest quality advice on their most critical legal and business needs. We’re a thoroughly contemporary firm that can bring 150 years of legal and institutional history to bear on the challenges clients face in today’s global, networked, 24/7 environment. Our collaborative approach means that our clients have ready access to leading corporate, litigation, transactional and regulatory lawyers whose knowledge and experience span industries and geographies.