Graduate Studies Internship Policies and Application

Graduate students interested in including an internship toward their degree requirements will need to coordinate representatives from both the agency/organization in which they plan to complete the internship and from ASU. This involves several steps and the completion of paperwork as outlined below.

**Internship Planning Checklist**

Complete the following items the **semester before enrolling** in a 584 Internship course:

- **Identify an internship opportunity.** Note: International students must maintain F-1 visa status for 1 calendar year prior to beginning an internship.

- **Confirm with the agency what the internship will entail and identify an individual at the agency who shall serve as the contact person to verify the internship responsibilities and the work conducted during the internship.**

- **Complete the attached Internship Proposal.**

- **Have the contact person from the agency read and sign both the Internship Proposal and the Student Placement Agreement.**

- **Based on faculty expertise/area of interest, identify a graduate faculty member who can serve as the sponsor for the internship. Share the proposal with the faculty member to receive his/her consent to serve as the ASU sponsor/individual instructor of the internship.**

**After approved** by both the agency contact person and the ASU faculty sponsor/individual instructor:

- **Submit signed agreement to a graduate studies Academic Success Coordinator to get permission to enroll in appropriate 584 course.**
  - Note: If needed update iPOS to reflect internship experience.

- **Complete a log of internship hours, and complete all requirements of the agency and the faculty sponsor as outlined in the Internship proposal.**

- **Use the Internship Log to record, document and catalog your internship tasks and the hours devoted to each for the course of the internship**
  - The Internship Log should be checked, reviewed, and signed periodically by the sponsor from the agency (e.g., every other week, once a month).
• Failure to include an Internship Log or including one without appropriate signatures in your Internship Final Report will result in not receiving credit for the internship.

• The Internship Log should demonstrate the equivalent workload of a 3 hour course. Use the scale below to determine the appropriate number of hours.
  
  o Fall/Spring Semester (15 weeks): 9 hours/week; total 135 hours
  o Summer (6 weeks): 22.5 hours/week; total 135 hours

☐ Keep a record of the insights you gain from the internship as they relate to your research interests, program of study, and goals.

☐ At the end of the internship, before grades are due in the term you are completing the internship, write an Internship Final Report. The Final Report should follow the guidelines below, unless changes are noted in the contract (page 5 of this document).

• The Final Internship Report should:

  o Be 15-20 pages in length
  o Include a bibliography of references cited
  o Describe how and when specific concepts from your coursework were applicable to the internship experience
  o Include a signed/completed Internship Log as an appendix
Graduate Studies Internship Proposal

This agreement describes and establishes the learning, service objectives and activities of the Internship, and sets out the responsibilities of the student intern, the agency and the faculty sponsor/individual instructor. The student intern is required to work 135 hours for a 3 credit course.

He or she is expected to do substantive work that is related to the mission of the agency and relevant to the approved academic Plan of Study (iPOS). In addition to specifying the nature of these activities in advance, the agency is required to designate a person who will supervise the student intern for the duration of the internship.

Part I: Internship Summary Agreement

1. ________________________________, on this date___________________,
   (Student Name & ASU ID #) (Today’s Date)
   agrees to an internship with_________________________ for __________ total contract
   (Company/Community Site)
   hours, to begin on____________________, and to be completed by__________________
   (First Day of the Semester) (Last Day of the Semester)

Based on contract hours designated, the internship will carry ___ semester hours of academic credit.

2. Site Supervisor: ______________________________ Telephone: ______________________________
   Address: __________________________________ City: ______________ AZ ______________

3. Intern Telephone: (H) ______________________________ (W) ______________________________
   Address: __________________________________

4. Internship Schedule: In the space below, designate the scheduled days of the week and approximate times the intern normally would be expected to be on the job.

   Monday ______________________________
   Tuesday ______________________________
   Wednesday ______________________________
   Thursday ______________________________
   Friday ______________________________
   Saturday ______________________________
   Sunday ______________________________

5. Registration Information

   Affiliate ID #: ___________________________ Student’s Program: ________________________________
   Semester and year of internship: __________________________ Number of credit hours: ____
   Enrollment Clearance (Office Use Only): ______________
Part II: Nature of Internship & Responsibilities
(to be completed by the student and the agency/organization)

Description of the agency/organization:

Statement of purpose. The student hopes to gain the following from this internship:

Requirements, expectations, and duties of the internship (attach job description if available).

Describe how the agency will supervise and evaluate the intern in the following way:

Other notes or expectations of the intern by the agency supervisor:
Part III: Academic Requirements of Internship  
(to be completed by the faculty sponsor/individual instructor and student)

Describe any assignments in addition to or in place of the Internship Final Report required by student intern (portfolio, journal, research paper, required readings etc.):

The number of meetings with the faculty sponsor and approximate dates:

Other expectations of intern by faculty sponsor:

Intern Signature ____________________________  Organization Site Supervisor Signature

Intern Printed Name ____________________________  Organization Site Supervisor Printed Name

ASU Faculty Sponsor/Instructor Signature

ASU Faculty Sponsor/Instructor Printed Name
Each activity should be listed on a separate row and assigned an equivalent amount of hours. Add rows as necessary to the Internship Log to represent additional activities for a given week.

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