Frequently Asked Questions

**How do I find an internship site?**
Students are responsible for finding their own internship site. You can either go out into the community to find a site or you can look through the internship site book located in SB-425.

**How should I choose an internship site?**
There are three really good reasons for choosing a site. First, there are some jobs that only hire from within. Being an intern can get your “foot in the door.” Second, think about future letters of reference. What would make your next job application look better? Finally, use the internship to try out a future occupation. You are only giving up 120 hours of your time to find out if this really is your dream job.

**When is the last day to apply for an internship?**
We close the class the first week of each quarter.

**Why can’t I do a late add?**
To complete 120 hours in one quarter you need to be at your internship site 10 hours every week including finals week. Missing even one week can put you in a position where you have to make up 10 hours of time. Most students don’t have 10 extra hours of time.

*I heard the class doesn’t meet.*
Do NOT listen to these people. They are wrong. The class meets weekly for one hour. Classroom attendance is MANDATORY!

**Can I start my hours before the class starts?**
No.

**Can I get paid?**
Yes BUT 1) you will have to volunteer 40 hours that are unpaid and 2) you will need to learn a new skill.

**Why do I have to learn a new skill?**
Because we do not have a class called work experience. The internship should not repeat coursework in psychology and human development. It should enhance your learning.

**Can I do a research project and get internship credit?**
Our current policy is NO. Research experience is different from internship experience. If you are interested in doing research should sign up for independent study.

**Is the Internship class mandatory?**
It is for Human Development and Dual Majors.