Greetings!

Thank you for your interest in our Paid Student Internship at Start-ups Program.

Thanks to the generosity of the ECenter's friends and sponsors, each summer up to fifteen UNH Durham students from any college or major can get hands-on experience working at a start-up company. Our sponsors are the Patten Family Foundation (funding four positions), UNH alumni donors (ten positions), and Service Credit Union (one position). Priority is given to UNH alumni start-ups. We recognize that not all students have the “a-ha” idea right away and/or they want to learn about and understand the inner workings of a start-up and help in the building process. Our internship program provides that experience. This opportunity is open to freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. The Internship Program provides that experiential learning opportunity for 40 hours per week over a 10-week period. Students will receive a stipend of $4,000. The stipend is issued by the start-up to the student with UNH providing the $4,000 to the start-up. The start-up must invoice UNH for $4,000 prior to the start of the 10-week program. If your start-up is matched with a student, you are required to pay a $400 application fee (only if you’re matched). You are also required to have a physical office space or coworking space location where the student will be working full-time for the duration of the internship.

For your information, here is a general layout for program.

- **February 19, 2021:** Final application deadline. Students will receive the company/position descriptions. Students will sign up for interview slots with the companies of their choosing. Companies will receive the student applications. The process of choosing where the students will be placed for the summer begins.
- **Week of March 1, 2021:** Virtual interviews. After the interviews, each party will rank top choices. Based on the selection, our matching algorithm will select up to 15 student and company matches. Internships announced within 24 hours of the conclusion of all interviews to all parties.
- **May 31 – August 6, 2021:** Start-up Internship (subject to company scheduling). Mid-term evaluations will be sent to companies, as well as invoices, due upon receipt. Mid-term evaluations will also be sent out to students. Students are required to keep a weekly journal/blog about their experience. Students and start-ups are required to post to social media channels regarding the internship experience at least once during the course of the 10-week internship.
- **August 13, 2021:** Video summary due. Final evaluations will be sent out to company supervisors and students. The evaluations are confidential – we do not share them with the students/supervisors, but we strongly encourage an open dialogue about expectations and performance between the two parties.

Students are told that if they miss a day of work for any reason, they are expected to make those hours up.
Thank you for supporting our program!