Everything you need to know about INTERNSHIPS

What?

**internship (noun)**

A form of experiential learning that takes place in a workplace environment. It allows a student to integrate academic learning with practical or “hands-on” experience, to develop or refine specific skills, or to explore a career interest.

**Typical Specs:**

- 1-2 quarters long
- 9+ hours/week
- Take place at any time during the year

When?

**First internships completed**

- After college: 6%
- Senior year: 12%
- Junior year: 24%
- Sophomore year: 25%
- Freshman year: 17%
- Before college: 16%

Why?

- **64% Employers**
  Prefer to hire candidates with work or intern experience

- **32% Seniors**
  Said internships significantly changed what they wanted to do with their careers

- **77% Students**
  Said internships helped them gain better understanding of future career interests

How?

- Students use an average of 5 tools & resources to secure an internship
- Students send an average of 8 applications to secure an internship

At the W

**60%** of UW graduates participate in at least 1 internship before graduation

Among 2013-2014 UW graduates, participating in an internship was **related to being employed** and in a “career-related” position 6 months after graduation

**72%** of the 98 employers at 2016 Internship Fair hired an intern following the Fair

**80%** of the 1,716 internships posted in HuskyJobs last year were paid

*Statistics from InternMatch and NACE surveys

*Statistics are based on responses to annual UW surveys