UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
Experiential Learning

INTERNSHIPS & THE EL REQUIREMENT

Test Drive Your Future

Internships allow you to practice skills and methods related to your field of study in a professional setting with a supervising mentor. This is a great way to test drive your future career and find out how well a position or industry fits in with your goals and aspirations. But finding the perfect internship that will also fulfill your EL requirement can sometimes be a challenge...

Find an Approved Internship

Search "EL Activities" > "Internships" on engage.uga.edu (log in with your MyID). Narrow your search by your college.

OR, check with your advisor.

Since EL activities are approved by the individual schools and colleges of the university, not all internships are approved for every major. You'll want to check with your advisor and/or your college's EL Certification Officer for specific resources relating to approved internships.

Non-Credit & For-Credit Internships

Both types of internships can qualify for EL. Pursuing a for-credit internship means that you are enrolled in an internship course for your major (usually 1-3 hours), while non-credit internships do not require enrollment and do not count for credit hours. Non-credit internships are a good option for the summer if you are not enrolling in courses.

Secured an internship but it's not approved for EL?

Experiential Learning Internship Program (ELIP)

If your internship aligns with your major and the university's experiential learning outcomes, you can apply for the EL Internship Program. The EL Internship Program provides a framework in the form of 6 eLC modules for students to recognize the critical skills and competencies they are gaining during their work experience.

ELIP Eligibility

- Secure an internship that aligns with your major.
- Internships with for profit companies must be paid.
- Must be in good academic standing.
- Work at least 45 hours over a minimum of 6 weeks.

Deadlines to Apply

- Fall Semester – September 15
- Spring Semester – February 15
- Summer Semester – June 15

Apply at el.uga.edu/for-students/el-internship-program/

I'm hoping to apply for an EL Scholarship for my internship, but it's not on the list of approved internships.

You'll need to secure approval either by enrolling in the EL Internship Program or acquiring an exception request to have your internship count for the EL Requirement by your college's EL Certification Officer. (You will need to be fully enrolled in ELIP –– not just having submitted the interest form.) You must secure approval for your internship by our scholarship application deadline in order to be considered for funding.