SiGP SUMMER INTERNSHIP GRANT PROGRAM
Northwestern Career Advancement
Today’s Agenda

- What is SIGP
- Eligibility
- Program Requirements
- Application Process
- Selection Criteria
- Important Dates
- Questions
Empower students to grow professionally by making it possible to pursue unpaid summer experiences.
Grant Information

• Allow students to fully explore their career options!

• Most stipends are $3000
  – Exception: $6000 international
  – Paid through University Payroll

• Where does the money come from?
  – Alumnae of Northwestern, Council of 100, Trisha Apte Memorial Foundation, Individual Donors, & University partners
  – Learn more in “Awards” tab on website.
Eligibility

- Are you an undergrad enrolled in the fall?
- Are you planning on securing an unpaid summer experience?
- Are you receiving 0.25 or less credit for your internship?
- Are you not receiving additional funding from University or employer?
Program Requirements

1. Meet with a **NCA Career Advisor**
   *(required for selected participants who do NOT have an internship in place)*
2. Attend Mandatory **Orientation Session** – end of May.
3. Complete Internship **Agreements and Paperwork**
4. Intern for at least **250 hours** between June- September 2015 *(you don’t have to start in June)*
5. Participate in **Career/Professional Development** Program Summer 2015
6. Attend **Donor Appreciation** event(s)
During Your Summer

• Assigned to NCA Career Adviser
• Explore self, industry, and career skills throughout assignments:
  – Developing a LinkedIn.com profile.
  – Participating in a mid-way review with career adviser.
  – Informational Interview.
  – Attending a networking event (optional).
  – Writing a Donor Appreciation Essay.
SIGP Application Process

1. Application Form & Financial Aid Authorization
2. One-page Professional Resume (PDF)
3. 3 Essay Question Responses (PDF)
4. Summer SIGP Budget (PDF)
Tell Your Story.

The Selection Committee wants to…

Invest in You!

Be Compelling, Honest, Show Potential and Use Concrete Examples.

*Be sure to visit the resources tab on the SIGP website.
Getting Help with Your Essays

• **The Writing Place (University Library, Room 2304)**
  – Make appointment via https://northwestern.mywconline.com/

• **NCA (620 Lincoln St.)**
  – Meet with your Career Adviser
  – Schedule an appointment online through CareerCat.
  – Indicate that you would like to have your SIGP application reviewed.
  – For any additional questions please send an email to sigp@northwestern.edu.

• **Online Resources**
Application Review Process

What is being considered?

• Quality and content.
• Financial need – rated by Financial Aid Office.

Who is on the Selection Committee?

• Alumnae of Northwestern, University Staff/Faculty, and NCA Staff Representatives.
Important Dates

Tuesday, April 5th by 11:59pm CST
Application Deadline

Monday, May 9th
Notification

Wednesday, May 25th or Thursday, May 26th
SIGP Orientation
Questions?

Contact

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