Academic Internship Program

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THE PROGRAM

The Academic Internship Program (AIP) offers qualified juniors and seniors an opportunity to earn credit for valuable work experience related to academic and career interests. Although most internships are in the San Diego area, the Academic Internship Program is national in scope, including the popular Washington, D.C. program, and international, including the PRIME program. The AIP database contains an impressive number of internships in diverse settings, including, but not limited to, television and radio stations; law offices; medical research labs and clinics; government agencies; high-tech, biotech, and engineering companies; advertising and public relations firms; and financial institutions. Students can also work with the internship office to develop their own internships.

The program operates all four quarters; students intern a minimum of ten hours per week and receive upper-division credit. Students may enroll for a maximum of three quarters (not to exceed sixteen units of internship credit) during the course of their junior and senior years. The number of units earned corresponds to the number of hours worked, level of internship responsibilities, and length of the research paper/project. The academic component of the program, which is directed by a faculty advisor, consists of a research paper/project and relevant readings. All students earn grades of P/NP and receive transcript notations.

AIP serves students from all six colleges and all undergraduate majors. Students interested in the Academic Internship Program must apply one quarter before they intend to enroll in the program.

To be eligible for the program students must have completed ninety units of credit and have a minimum 2.5 GPA at the time of application.

COURSES

For course descriptions not found in the UC San Diego General Catalog, 2010–11, please contact the department for more information.

197. Academic Internship Program (4, 8, 12)

Individual placements for field learning integrated with academic programs, developed /coordinated by AIP. Written contract received prior to internship includes learning objectives, project outline, means of supervision and evaluation. Consent of faculty advisor and program chair required for all. **Prerequisites:** ninety units minimum completed; 2.5 minimum cumulative GPA; at least two upper-division courses, preferably in a related field, completed by date of application; departmental stamp.

197F. Academic Internship

Program—Foreign (4, 8, 12) Individual placements for field learning outside U.S. or San Diego; integrated with academic programs. Written contract received prior to internship includes learning objectives, project outline, means of supervision and evaluation. Consent of Faculty Advisor and Program Chair required for all. **Prerequisites:** ninety units minimum completed; 2.5 minimum cumulative GPA; at least two upper-division courses, preferably in a related field, completed by date of application; departmental stamp.

197P. Public Service Minor Internship (4)

Individual placements for field learning performed in nonprofit organizations dedicated to providing services in the areas of education, government, social research, and health. Yearlong written contract completed prior to start of internship will include intellectually unified expectations and means of supervision. Faculty member and student will meet regularly. **Prerequisites:** 2.5 GPA and completion of ninety units, prior declaration of public service minor, departmental stamp.

197PR. Academic Internship Program—PRIME Program (1)

Individual placements for field learning in Pacific Rim countries funded by NSF grant, integrated with academic programs. Grant to last five years; summers 2008–12. Written contract received prior to internship includes learning objectives, project outline, means of supervision and evaluation. **Prerequisites**: ninety units minimum completed, 2.5 minimum cumulative GPA, two upper-division courses completed by date of application, Students must go through a written application and interview selection process, department stamp.