



## UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

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Dear Parents,

Please encourage your son or daughter to join the nearly 7,000 students who have participated in the University of Virginia Internship Program (UIP).

UIP's professional practice internship opportunities will help maximize your child's post-graduation options by giving him or her a clearer idea of his or her career path and by providing work experience employers and graduate schools value. Your child will be eligible to participate in UIP-sponsored internships this coming summer and/or this coming academic year (fall and spring semesters).

As a rising fourth-year student, your child has a unique opportunity to earn credit for participating in an academic year internship option in the Charlottesville area during the fall and spring semesters. There are no additional fees or tuition costs for participating in the academic year internship option and enrolling in the 4-credit UIP seminar. All fees and costs are part of the regular, full-time fall and spring semester tuition expenses.

Your child also has the opportunity to participate in UIP-sponsored summer professional practice internships in the Charlottesville area, in other U.S. cities, and in Dublin, Ireland. Unlike the academic year internships, the summer programs do have additional tuition, fees, and costs.

Through the UIP your child's overall academic experience will be enriched by interning in an organization or a field that reflects his or her academic, career, or personal interests. The theoretical lessons of the classroom will take on new meaning as your child experiences and applies them in a "real world" setting. After participating in an academic internship through the UIP, your child will graduate with professional-level experience, perspective on his or her potential career path and future, references and networks, an increased understanding of local and global communities, and greater personal and professional self-awareness and self-assurance.

Completing an internship is an excellent way for your son or daughter to gain competitive skills and practical knowledge to ensure his or her successful transition from the undergraduate academic environment to either the working world or graduate school. Please encourage your child to visit the UIP website at [www.virginia.edu/uip](http://www.virginia.edu/uip), review the listing of available internships, and complete an online application.

The University of Virginia Internship Program provides an excellent opportunity for your son or daughter to learn and intern with professionals in the Charlottesville community and beyond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen A. Farber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Karen A. Farber, Ph.D., M.B.A.  
Director, U.Va. Internship Programs (UIP)