

Career Prep! A New Program for 1st and 2nd year Bruins

During Spring Break 2013, the Career Center is launching its inaugural externship program: Career PREP! This exceptional program is designed for Bruins to explore, enhance, and experience careers in their chosen fields. As one of many experiential learning opportunities, externships allow a student to spend a day observing a professional on the job.

Career PREP is designed to provide Bruins with:

- 1) An Experience that allows externs to deepen their knowledge of a particular career field or industry;
- 2) An opportunity for early career exploration;
- 3) A deliberate introduction to organizational acumen and culture; and
- 4) A method where students learn how to cultivate and build on their professional networks

Externs who participate in this job shadowing opportunity will be primarily freshman and sophomores who have an interest in each host organization's industry or profession. Students will be choosing primarily from the following industries

- Business
- Engineering/technical (including Computer Science, IT, Environmental)
- Finance/Accounting
- Biotechnology/Science/Health
- Communications/Media/Arts and Entertainment
- Non-Profit/Public Service (including Government)
- General

Participating Host organizations will have the opportunity to interact and build their brand among UCLA students. The UCLA career center is confident this externship program commitment will build a pipeline of brand awareness that could potentially convert to internships and/or full-time positions in the near future.

If you would like to participate or learn more about Career PREP contact Job Development Specialist, Shannon Linebarger, at slinebarger@career.ucla.edu