

# Internship Application Resource

The Exact Playbook from ₹0 Beginner → ₹15K/month Intern → Trusted Mentor  
by Ankush

## 1 Pre-requisites

### • Core Skills: Two Levels

#### What Everyone Knows (surface-level basics):

- HTML, CSS, JS — but barely beyond to-do apps
- "Hello World" React projects that never leave localhost
- GitHub profile with 2 repos and no README
- Watching courses endlessly without shipping projects

#### What the Top 1% Actually Does (this is where I stood out):

- Full Stack (MERN) – Projects that are deployed, debugged, and used by real people
- Version Control – Pull requests, branches, contribution to open-source/hackathons
- Deployment – Hosting apps on Vercel/Netlify with custom domains
- Consistency – Not just 1 project, but 10+ small builds, each better than the last
- Proof of Work – Every project has a README, screenshots, and a story on LinkedIn/Insta
- Mindset – Don't wait for permission. Break doors. DM founders. Post your stuff. Apply anyway

🔑 Rule: Projects > Certificates. Volume + Consistency beats "smart study."

## 2 Where to Apply

### • Platforms (Real Talk)

- **LinkedIn** – Tons of competition. Very few crack roles here.  
*Still, I cracked my first ever internship from LinkedIn.*  
Use it for visibility + credibility, not your main bet.
- **Wellfound (AngelList)** – Goldmine for startups.  
*I cracked a full-time startup role here.*  
Founders are accessible, fewer applicants, more trust.
- **Twitter** – Underrated. My first paid internship came from Twitter DMs.  
Works on volume of reachouts. Engage on tweets, reply smartly, then DM.
- **Instagram** – Not just flex. I literally got my first freelance client here.  
Use stories, projects, and DMs as networking fuel.

### • Hidden Truths (Nobody Tells You)

- Hackathons = Internship farms. Judges/founders scout talent silently
- Cold DMs are 100x more effective than Easy Apply buttons
- "Micro value drops" work: send a Loom video reviewing their website, or share an idea → instant callback
- Volume wins. 10 personalized DMs > 100 random Easy Applies

### • Cold DM Formats (Advanced Variants)

#### As a Learner:

Hey [Name], I'm [Your Name], currently exploring [skill/tech].  
Loved your post on [specific detail]. I just built something similar → [link].  
Would love to know how you'd improve it. Open to chat?

#### As a Freelancer:

Hey [Name], I saw your product [XYZ].  
I work on [skill/area] and had a quick idea that could make [feature] faster/better.  
Here's a 30-sec Loom → [link].  
If it makes sense, happy to jump on a quick call.

#### As a Teacher:

Hi [Name], I teach [skill/topic] to [students/juniors].  
Saw your content on [platform] and found it really insightful.  
Would love to collab or exchange notes sometime.

#### As Someone with Expertise:

Hey [Name], been working on [field/tech] for [timeframe].  
Loved your project on [specific feature] – curious how you approached [problem].  
I tried [solution], would love to jam about it.

#### As a Curious Student:

Hey [Name], I'm super curious about [domain].  
Your journey in [company/role] caught my eye.  
Could I ask you 2-3 questions about how you got started?

## 3 How to Apply

### • Resume

- Keep it 1 page
- Projects + Achievements > Theory
- Link everything (GitHub, portfolio, deployed apps)
- Use this template: [whyankush.wtf/Resume.pdf](#)

### • Application Strategies (with Templates)

#### 1. Standard Internship Application (Email):

Subject: Application for [Role] - [Your Name]

Hi [Name],  
I came across the [role] at [Company] and it caught my eye.  
I've built [specific project/work] similar to what you're working on.  
Portfolio: [link] | GitHub: [link] | Resume: [link]

Would love to discuss how I can contribute.  
Best,  
[Your Name]

#### 2. Post-Hackathon Follow-up:

Hi [Name], really enjoyed meeting you at [Hackathon].  
We built [project] in 36 hours → [link].  
If you're open, I'd love to continue working with you or explore internship roles.

#### 3. Direct Founder Pitch:

Hey [Name], checked out [Company].  
Built something similar: [link].  
Curious if you're open to interns/freelancers – I'd love to plug in.

#### 4. Referral Request:

Hi [Name], I noticed you're connected with [Company/HR].  
I'm applying for [Role] there – attaching my resume.  
If you think I'm a good fit, would really appreciate a referral.

#### 5. Curiosity-led Outreach:

Hey [Name], your recent post on [topic] blew my mind.  
I've been experimenting with [tech/tool] → [small proof link].  
Would love to learn your thoughts. Also curious if [Company] ever takes interns.

*"Don't wait for placements. Hunt opportunities. Break doors with volume + consistency."*

#### Winner Mindset

Document → Share → Apply → DM → Repeat

Remember: Internships are not just about money — they're leverage for teaching, freelancing, and long-term growth.

*My Story: I didn't crack it in a day, it was a month-long process of getting my first internship.*

## Connect With Me



[whyankush.wtf](#)



[@whowankush07](#)



[github.com/ankush-web-eng](#)



[linkedin.com/in/whyankush07](#)



[@whyankush07](#)



[ankushsingh.dev@gmail.com](mailto:ankushsingh.dev@gmail.com)



[ankush@unindex.dev](#)