

QUOTES FROM PAST EXTERNS

the impact of an externship

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"The Externship allowed me to learn that I have many more interests that I could pursue in the field of Mechanical Engineering other than my original focus that relates to aeronautics."

"My Externship experience allowed me the opportunity to see what possible jobs I had to look forward to in the future. It was very good in helping me get an idea of what type of companies would interest me most as well as which job positions I desire in the future. I also learned what companies are looking for when they review resumes of future employees."

"My day consisted of six 1-hour time slots where I was allowed to learn about that particular engineer's job. There were two design engineers (both had vastly different tasks), a systems engineer, hydraulics engineer, and managing engineer. They all gave me a sample of what their job consists of and each of them showed me projects there were currently working on. I was able to see how they started their project, their thought process, and any modifications. I found this very meaningful because I saw how each engineer used their education and how they integrated that existing knowledge into their current project."

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"I went into the Externship undecided on what (Engineering) major I was going to pursue ... it helped me to have a better understanding of Civil Engineers and what the scope of their jobs entail. I was able to actually get a feel for what my life would be like if I became a Civil Engineer, and I also found out the many different types of jobs you could have if you were one."

"I have found a specific career that I find very interesting. If I hadn't been given the opportunity to see exactly what an engineer does on a day-to-day basis, I probably would have overlooked the company as a whole when sorting through the vast array of chemical engineering jobs."

"I learned a great deal about what to expect from a job in Chemical Engineering. I saw both the analytical and hands-on side of working in the factory of a cosmetic company which I learned a great deal from. I was able to see how the team works together to bring a product from raw material to shipping boxes of product."

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