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Good luck getting a job these days if you do not have any past internships. It is becoming increasingly important to have at least one internship while in college, probably even more than one. A college education is just not enough these days, not when every other American has one. Employers are looking for real-life experience, not classroom experience because it is assumed that you have that. You must now get an internship, you must work hard and keep it making sure that your boss will provide you with a god recommendation. It is now a standard for companies to say that they look for past real-life career experiences in order to land the job. Just in case you aren't already convinced that you need to get an internship, here are some more reasons:

- 1. You will learn much more than you will in any college classroom: Internships are all about learning. You will learn things that are key to your industry that you will not be taught in the classroom.
- 2. Essential to your resume: Internships listed on your resume are essential! Who is going to hire you if you do not have any work experience whatsoever?
- 3. Making sure you have chosen the right career for you: Make sure that your major is right for you by getting an internship that relates to your major. Make sure you enjoy your career before you delve into numerous years of schooling. Internships help to make sure you know who you are and what you want to do with your life.
- 4. *Motivation:* Even if you do not need money or if you already have internship experience, get an internship anyways. Motivate yourself and push yourself to be all that you can be (but make sure not to burn yourself out and do not let it interfere with school work).
- 5. \$\$\$: There are internships out there that are paid! It is a myth that all internships are unpaid. Kill two birds with one stone; make money to fund your college education while gaining valuable experience.
- 6. Not all internships require you to be the company "slave": Internships are also known as being redundant, monotonous work that is never fun to do. Although this is a part of an internship, you will most likely be able to do things that really matters to the company.

Do yourself a favor and keep/ get an internship in your field of interest. I promise you will not be disappointed in the future.