

Baruch Entrepreneurial Intern Fellowship Program

PROGRAM INFORMATION & APPLICATION PACKET ~ Fall 2020

- Gain financial support for your unpaid fall internship in a start-up company only.
 - The start-up company must be in operation between 6 months and 5 years. It can be in any industry.
 - Students interning for start-up companies that have hosted fellowship students in previous semesters will be given lower priority during the selection process.
 - If more than one student is interning for any one start-up, only one of those students may be chosen for the fellowship.

- Open to undergraduates of any major with a minimum 2.5 GPA and who have completed at least one full semester at Baruch College.
 - Preference will be given to Juniors or Seniors.
 - Previously selected fellowship recipients are not eligible.
- The selection process is highly competitive.

Apply by October 5, 2020 for this opportunity.

This program is made possible by generous support from Ronald I. Heller, '67.

Program Description

The Weissman Center for International Business and Baruch's Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship, with support from Ronald I. Heller '67, have partnered to offer the *Baruch Entrepreneurial Intern Fellowship Program* for Baruch College undergraduate students.

The *Baruch Entrepreneurial Intern Fellowship Program* provides financial assistance to undergraduate students who complete an unpaid fall internship in a start-up company, while encouraging them to develop their professional and intercultural skills through programs offered by the Weissman Center for International Business at Baruch College.

An internship provides valuable experience and is an important stepping stone to a full-time position in a student's chosen profession. However, internships are often unpaid, which can be a significant hurdle for students who already are stretched financially. The *Baruch Entrepreneurial Intern Fellowship Program* generously offers a \$1,250 stipend to help students overcome the financial hurdle of an unpaid internship.

The *Baruch Entrepreneurial Intern Fellowship Program* focuses on the entrepreneurial spirit of the ever growing global marketplace, and the program supports students who want to pursue an internship that has an entrepreneurial focus.

To learn more about the program, contact Justine Kharnak, Associate Director at the Weissman Center for International Business, at justine.kharnak@baruch.cuny.edu.

Benefits of the Program

- \$1,250 stipend for a minimum 15-20 hours a week internship.
- Special session provided by the Weissman Center for International Business and the Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship to assess students' internships, review the program elements, and provide a networking opportunity for interns.
- Invitations throughout the semester to participate in events at the Weissman Center for International Business and the Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship, which are designed to supplement the internship experience with professional skills training and inter-cultural learning activities.

Student Qualifications

- Undergraduate student with any major with a 2.5+ GPA.
- Student has secured an unpaid fall internship by no later than September 25, 2020.
 - A student may seek assistance with searching for internship opportunities through the Internship Placement Program at the Weissman Center for International Business, the Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship, or the Starr Career Development Center.
- The student's unpaid internship is in a start-up company for a minimum of 15 but no more than 20 hours per week.

Program Elements

- The program will start September 28, 2020 and will run through December 11, 2020.
- Student receives a \$1,250 stipend at the end of the fall 2020 semester.
 - The payment of \$1,250 is paid upon receipt of a brief report and Online survey from the student regarding his/her internship experience.
- Student will complete an unpaid fall internship (September - December).
- Student will participate in an end of fall event hosted by the Weissman Center for International Business and Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship in order to share his/her experiences with fellow participants.
- Student will write a 1-2 page summary of his/her internship experience, which is submitted to Justine Kharnak, Associate Director at the Weissman Center for International Business.
- Student will complete an online survey regarding their internship experience.

Application Steps

- Secure your internship.
- # Complete the enclosed application and personal statement.
- # Submit the application form, personal statement, and your résumé ELECTRONICALLY to:
Justine Kharnak, Associate Director, Justine.Kharnak@baruch.cuny.edu
Weissman Center for International Business
137 E. 25th Street, 8th Floor - Annex
- **Submission due by October 5, 2020.**

Application Checklist

- ☐ Complete application form
- ☐ Your résumé
- ☐ Personal statement

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APPLICATION FORM

Contact Information:

EMPLID# (CUNYfirst 8 digits): _____

Mr. ☐ Ms. ☐

First Name

Last Name

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Street Address

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City

State

Zip

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Home Phone

Cell Phone

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Email Address

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Education Information

School at Baruch (Zicklin, Weissman, Public Affairs)

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Major:

Graduation Date

GPA

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Internship Information

Company Name

Internship Position/Title

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Company Contact Name

Company Contact Phone

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Company Website

Company Contact Email

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Internship Start Date

Internship Completion Date

Internship is Unpaid: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please describe your reasons for applying to the Baruch Entrepreneurial Intern Fellowship Program.

Please include information that you believe would be helpful to the Weissman Center for International Business and the Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship in understanding you better. Your essay may include, but is not limited to the following topics:

- Describe your background and educational and career goals and how this internship will help you achieve them.
- How would participation in the Baruch Entrepreneurial Intern Fellowship Program help you get the most out of your internship experience?
- Why do you want to intern at a start-up company instead of a traditional large corporation?
- Please feel free to include anything else that will enable the selection committee to know you and see you as a strong choice for the fellowship.

Please type your statement on a separate sheet. *(Limited to 500 words)*