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According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE), internships set candidates apart and help students compete in the job market.

With the highly competitive job market in 2020, more and more employers want to see multiple internships. If a student can secure two or more professional internships, they stand a better chance of being hired right out of college.

How can you help prepare students? Encourage them to participate in internships and meet with Career Services to develop internship search strategies, develop their resume, and conduct mock interviews.

The Career Services job board, Handshake, is a great place to start - ung.joinhandshake.com. Students can easily activate their account and search for internships across the nation in hundreds of career fields.

Rebecca - International Affairs; Navigating International Trade

Meet Rebecca, an International Affairs student with a concentration in East Asia! Rebecca interned during the fall semester with the Georgia Department of Economic Development / International Trade division.

Rebecca had a positive experience working with a great team who taught her the complex factors affecting international trade. As a natural introvert, she has been able to work on her networking skills and become more comfortable in social settings and meeting new people.

In addition to perfecting her networking skills, she has gained expertise in database management and learned more about business functions.

Her advice to UNG students – "Start early! An internship is more beneficial than you would think. I wish I had started sooner. It takes time to find the right internship and and I wish I had done a second one before graduation."



Brendyn - Using Psychology to Recruit Veterans

A U.S. Army veteran, Psychology major, and an intern at Comcast working in the Talent Acquisition / Human Resources department, Brendyn was fortunate to intern in both the summer and fall semesters. He had the opportunity to analyze data trends and provide valuable feedback to senior Comcast leaders regarding the recruitment of veterans.

It was in Brendyn's Quantitative Methods class where he realized he loved analyzing data and making sense of trends in data sets. He had the opportunity to work with Dr. Bryan Dawson to conduct research and analyze results, which helped Brendyn build the right skills for Comcast.

He has enjoyed working with a welcoming team, and the opportunity to learn new software, meet interns from across the country, help recruiters talk to veterans, and meet with numerous senior managers within the company.

Brendyn's advice to UNG students – "Keep an open mind. Step away from the label of a 'traditional intern'. You have the opportunity to really work here and make a difference."

