QUEST High School Internship Program

Accelerated Programs & Gifted Education



The QUEST Internship Program is an in-depth career exploration which allows gifted program students to work with adult mentors from a variety of businesses, professions, government agencies, civic organizations and other fields of interest.

Applications/recommendations for the QUEST Student Intern Program are handled by the gifted contact teacher at the local school. Someone from the district office interviews candidates in the spring semester for the following school year. The district personnel are responsible for placing students and grading bi-weekly assignments as well as the five-minute final presentations. The gifted contact at the local school also grades the five-minute final presentations and written final exams.

REQUIREMENTS

- high school junior or senior during the internship
- gifted-identified
- has own transportation to and from the internship
- room in schedule for QUEST as final class period
- able to commit to two or three afternoons a week for a minimum of five hours weekly, typically during traditional business hours. (However, Peachtree Ridge students work a minimum of seven hours weekly.)
- Most schools choose to make it a year-long commitment. Hospital placements must be year-long.
- Additional skills:
 - ► excellent attendance record
 - ►no discipline issues
 - ► self-motivation

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INTERNSHIP COMMENTS FROM STUDENTS

I've always known I wanted to work in the medical field, but I never knew what it was truly like. This internship allows me to witness firsthand what it's like. This internship has cemented my decision to work in the medical field.

I have become more acquainted with the different fields in which I can use my computer science major. Before, I assumed that my major would only allow me to become a computer scientist, but in reality, I can use it to go into a plethora of computer oriented careers such as a software architect and systems analyst.