



**UNPAID EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PROJECT (UELP) -
INTERNSHIP**

*Fairfield Warde High School
Fairfield Ludlowe High School*

Grades 11 - 12

½ Year Course
Prerequisite: Must be at least 16 years of age.
Teacher recommendation needed.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Unpaid Experiential Learning Program (UELP) is a joint venture between the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) and the Connecticut State Department of Labor (CT DOL). The program creates opportunities for Connecticut Local Education Agencies (LEA) and individual high schools to provide unpaid work experiences for their students that would not otherwise be available. The Unpaid Experiential Learning Program (UELP) is designed to meet the test for unpaid interns set by the Fair Labor Standards Act. The UELP provides a waiver from the CT DOL minimum wage for minors, (ages 16 and 17), requirements. All other laws and regulations for the employment of minors remain in effect; working hours, length of day, prohibited occupations, etc.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

To provide students with a first look into what real life will be like, getting an idea about what it's like to have a full-time job.

UNITS OF STUDY

- Unit 1: Talking/Safety
- Unit 2: Internship Experience

COURSE POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS

GRADING

Cumulative / In-Progress Grade:

- 90% will reflect the student's mastery of course content and skills on summative assessments
- 10% will reflect the student's progress on formative assessments, homework, and behavior

End-of-the-Year Grade:

- 90% will reflect the student's cumulative course grade through summative and formative assessments as described above
- 10% of the end-of-the-course grade will reflect the student's performance on the course final assessment

MATERIALS:

State of Connecticut "Talking/Safety, Teaching Young Workers about Job Safety and Health" or an

equivalent safety training

EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS:

The Fairfield Public Schools provide a safe learning environment. Our high school community, in collaboration with parents and other townspeople, fosters a society that recognizes and promotes the dignity and worth of the individual. We believe that meeting the diverse needs of all students will encourage lifelong learning and responsible citizenship.

EXTRA HELP:

Appointments for extra help or individual conferences can be prearranged during a mutual common free period or after school.