

What Internships Can I do with a Major in Physics?

Internship Examples

Position	Employer	Website
Space Policy Internships	Space Studies Board - National Research Council	http://sites.nationalacademies.org/SSB/ssb_052239
Summer Challenge Program	Milliken & Company	http://www.milliken.com/hr/wwwmlkn.nsf/HomeCFrameset?Open
Undergraduate Research Experience in Accelerator Physics	Illinois Accelerator Institute	http://www.illinoisacceleratorinstitute.org/
Physics Teaching Intern	Southern Teachers Agency	http://www.southernteachers.com/
Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internships	Department of Energy	http://www.scied.science.doe.gov/SciEd/erulf/about.html
Research Aide Appointments	Argonne National Laboratory	http://www.dep.anl.gov/p_shared/researchAide_appts/shorterm.htm
Undergraduate Student Cooperative Education Program	Oak Ridge National Laboratory	http://see.orau.org/ProgramDescription.aspx?Program=10189
Undergraduate Student Research Program	NASA	http://usrp.usra.edu/
Geophysics Intern	Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory	http://www.ldeo.columbia.edu/
Research Intern	Science News	http://www.sciencenews.org/
Research Intern	Smithsonian Institution	www.si.edu/research+study
Health Physicist and Research Intern	National Institutes of Health	http://www.training.nih.gov/student/
NOAA National Weather Service Summer Intern Program	NOAA	http://www.oesd.noaa.gov/internships_opps.html
Summer Intern Program	The Cook Energy Center	http://www.cookinfo.com/summerintern.htm
Summer Intern	Lunar and Planetary Institute	http://www.lpi.usra.edu/lpiintern/

This internship listing was created to provide you with examples of the types of internships a physics student can pursue. The opportunities may or may not be currently available depending on the employer.

Internships provide valuable opportunities for students to test out career options and/or to gain work experience in their chosen field. Simply defined, internships may be paid or non-paid experiences with an employer. Internships can be completed during the school year or during the summer. Academic credit (typically 1-3 hours) may be available for an internship depending on the student's department at UNC Asheville. You may visit <http://www.unca.edu/career/At-A-GlanceInternships.pdf> to view a listing of offered departmental courses. The Career Center also teaches a two-credit course each spring HWP 257, *Internship – Exploring Career Choices*, which is open to students of any major or academic level.

Many internships are “ready-made” and may be found through a variety of internet and print resources. The Career Center houses books and resources in the Career Library (259 Highsmith) for internship research and lists helpful internship search links at <http://www.unca.edu/career/internships.html>. Also keep in mind that you can “create your own” internship by directly contacting employers of interest. Contact the Career Center if you need assistance in preparing a resume and approaching potential internship sponsors.

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