

SPRING REMOTE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Prerequisite: Undergraduate students*

*The projects are usually multidisciplinary. Projects normally have a better fit for students of Engineering, Business, Communication and correlated areas, however, everyone willing to learn and contribute to an international project is welcome.

Language of Instruction: English

Length: 8 weeks

Expected Starting Date: January 31st, 2022

Description: A project-based internship program and experiential learning in a structured online working format so students can continue to make progress toward their academic and professional goals, while also gaining a global perspective and developing interpersonal skills.

Interns will have the opportunity to work alongside Brazilian students and experienced professionals in renowned organizations. All interns will be placed within an organization working on actual projects, with a dedicated supervisor and a program coordinator based in Brazil.

A 8-week program, the first week being reserved for contextualizing the Brazilian market and cultural aspects, offered by Campus B in partnership with a renowned Brazilian university. During the remaining 8 weeks of the project, students will work with the organizations, there will be mentoring sessions and academic guidance. In the last week of the program, there will be a wrap-up session to conclude the experience and present the results of the project. This project will have the following structures:

- Lectures with Brazilian professors from renowned academics about Career, Professional Growth, and Leadership
- Interactions with Brazilian students
- Portuguese classes (crash course)
- Cultural interactions, streamed or pre-recorded, such as dancing performances, communities visits, museum tours, music presentations, etc
- Mentoring for project delivery and certificate of attendance

Learning Objectives:

- Professional development to support your career pathway;
- First-hand contact with innovative business ideas and daily challenges in Brazil;
- Capacity to adapt to the new reality of virtual work;
- Understanding of multi-cultural environment and its peculiarities;
- Build a network with Brazilian professors, students, entrepreneur, business leaders;
- Improve skills such as self-reliance, work organization and discipline, proactive attitude, interpersonal and practical skills.

Workload

Virtual classes by Brazilian professors	5 h
Virtual Portuguese classes	3 h
Virtual Internship Project	96 h
Virtual Mentoring Sessions	1 h
Virtual Cultural Activities/Workshops	5 h
Total	110 h

Spring Virtual Internship - Tentative Schedule					
Week 1	Monday - Jan 31	Tuesday - Feb 1	Wednesday - Feb 2	Thursday - Feb 3	Friday - Feb 4
	Orientation Session & Icebreaker (80 min)		Class: Project Management (40 min)	Internship project kick-off and company introduction (60 min)	
Week 2	Monday - Feb 7	Tuesday - Feb 8	Wednesday - Feb 9	Thursday - Feb 8	Friday - Feb 11
	Class: Doing Business in Brazil (60 min)		Mentoring Session (15 min)	Company meeting (60 min)	
Week 3	Monday - Feb 14	Tuesday - Feb 15	Wednesday - Feb 16	Thursday - Feb 17	Friday - Feb 18
	Portuguese Class (60 min)		Class: Culture Map (60 min)	Company meeting (60 min)	
Week 4	Monday - Feb 21	Tuesday - Feb 22	Wednesday - Feb 23	Thursday - Feb 24	Friday - Feb 25
	Portuguese Class (60 min)		Mentoring Session (15 min)	Company meeting (60 min)	
Week 5	Monday - Feb 28	Tuesday - Mar 1	Wednesday - Mar 2	Thursday - Mar 3	Friday - Mar 4
	Virtual Gathering - CARNIVAL (45 min)	CARNIVAL	Roundtable: Foreign professionals working in Brazil (60 min)	Company meeting (60 min)	
Week 6	Monday - Mar 7	Tuesday - Mar 8	Wednesday - Mar 9	Thursday - Mar 10	Friday - Mar 11
	Portuguese Class (60 min)		Mentoring Session (15 min)	Company meeting (60 min)	
Week 7	Monday - Mar 14	Tuesday - Mar 15	Wednesday - Mar 16	Thursday - Mar 17	Friday - Mar 18
	Cultural Workshop (60 min)		Lecture: Career Development (60 min)	Company meeting (60 min)	
Week 8	Monday - Mar 21	Tuesday - Mar 22	Wednesday - Mar 23	Thursday - Mar 24	Friday - Mar 25
	Virtual Gathering (45 min)		Final Mentoring Session (15 min)	Company meeting - Final Presentation (60 min)	Wrap-up Session 'Reflections about the journey' (60 min)

Attendance: Online meetings once a week with the organization; academic mentorship by Brazilian professor; weekly meetings with the Campus B program coordinators for feedback and support.

Expected Learning Outcomes:

- Develop a real solution for an international project;
- Improve critical thinking and offer practical solutions in an efficient way;
- Gain time-management skills by following the project schedule with clear lines of responsibility and accountability;
- Develop a global citizen mindset, intercultural competence and team-building skills.

Final Project Delivery: Students are required to perform a group presentation on the results of the virtual internship project. The final project must be completed as a group and it should be presented in PowerPoint format including details about the deliverables for the company and learning outcomes. Students will also be requested to deliver a final report detailing the work done over the 8 weeks and presenting the project completion.

Recommended Readings: TBD