



GLOUCESTER COUNTY INTERNSHIP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Gloucester County Board of Chosen Freeholders, in cooperation with Rowan College at Gloucester County, has established the "Gloucester County Internship Scholarship Program," an initiative created to provide qualified, first-year students with a potential two-year tuition and fees award, along with field-specific work experience. This selective program will award students one free academic year at RCGC (tuition and academic-related fees), with the opportunity for scholarship renewal for a second year.



Career Experience from on-the-job training

Internship Advantages

- Gain valuable work experience consistent with interests and abilities
- Provides one-on-one support and mentoring with a site-supervisor
- Applies knowledge and skills to practical career situations to explore career choices
- Develops confidence, professionalism and networking skills
- Work closely with an RCGC intern-scholar advisor for career training



\$10,000 potential scholarship savings

Financial Benefits

- Covers first year tuition and fees (academic-related)
- Offers students meeting required scholarship criteria a second renewal year
- Provides students with an associate degree, work experience in their field and the opportunity to graduate from RCGC debt free
- Saves approximately \$10,000 over a two-year period



NO College Debt freshman and sophomore years



Tahje Thomas, economics development intern and Gabrielle Glocker, library intern speak with Freeholder Lyman Barnes, Liaison to Education.

Application Process

- Apply for admission to RCGC
- Meet all admission and application requirements established by RCGC
- Meet all student eligibility requirements
- Complete the RCGC scholarship application (beginning in November)

Available to All Majors

Sampling of Past Internships

- Business –Accounting
- Economic Development
- Emergency Response
- Engineering
- Health and Human Services
- Library
- Nursing
- Online Marketing and Graphic Design
- Social Services

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Student Eligibility

- Be a current high school senior ranked in the top 20 percent at the end of their junior year, who has completed a college preparatory program of study
- Must be at least 18 years of age or older before Sept. 15, for the start of the fall semester and beginning of the internship
- Enroll for the fall semester at RCGC in a full-time course of study immediately after graduating from high school
- Take a minimum of 30 credits each academic year
- Be a permanent Gloucester County, New Jersey resident (parents/guardians and students) pursuant to regulations established by the College at the time of high school graduation and upon college enrollment
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen *and* a legal New Jersey resident for a minimum of 12 consecutive months prior to high school graduation

Program Prerequisites

- Submit a 250-word essay stating educational and career goals
- Submit letter of recommendation or reference (teacher, employer, guidance counselor, coach)
- Interview with Scholarship Committee if selected
- Review and sign Student Internship Agreement (SIA)
- Enroll full time in a major or area of study relating to the field in which the internship applies
- Required to attend an RCGC professional workshop during the summer

Scholarship Renewal

- Maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher at the end of the fall semester to receive the scholarship for spring (summer, dual credit and HSOP courses included in determining GPA)
- Fulfill required internship hours with approved evaluations
- Scholarship funds awarded for a maximum of two years

An RCGC scholarship committee will select recipients based on essays, recommendations, interviews, majors of study and availability of internship positions. Scholarship recipients will be selected in July and notified of the award by mail.

Established by the Gloucester County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Gloucester County Internship Scholarship Program was created to benefit both RCGC students and Gloucester County residents as part of an on-going mission to make higher education more affordable.

Internships are available through:

- Gloucester County Operations
- Gloucester County Improvement Authority
- Gloucester County Utilities Authority
- Gloucester County Library System
- LAMATEK, Inc.

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