

Intern Spotlight:

Name: Carolina Davila-Beltran Major: Environmental Science College: College of Sciences

Internship:

Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Science Intern

How did you obtain your internship?

I was made aware of the chance for an internship with the Environmental Protection Agency via Handshake. Only 15 students were chosen for the internship; thankfully, I was accepted! I applied as soon as I saw the internship opportunity.

What did you do during your internship? What were your responsibilities/ duties?

I attended meetings with agency personnel to discuss various career options with the EPA. By completing specialized team projects led by EPA experts and preparing oral presentations to be given to senior management of the agency, I was able to improve my communication and teamwork skills. In accordance with agency communication expectations and guidelines, I completed the assigned literature review and data collection for the program-related tasks.

What was the exciting aspect of your internship?

My ability to see firsthand how governmental organizations operate the application and hiring processes for federal jobs was the most exciting aspect. I was given the opportunity to learn about creating a federal resume to help me apply for federal jobs in the future.

What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship?

Don't forget to pay attention, have fun, and most importantly, learn from the experience when you're doing an internship. It's never too late to sign up for an internship, and it's always a good idea to do one in a subject you find interesting.

How has the Career Center supported you in your career development?

The Career Center helped me create a resume when I first started looking for a job and internships, and ever since then, I have been very fortunate to receive these amazing opportunities just by being able to have a well-written resume.