

Intern Spotlight:



Meet Karen!

Name: Karen Chauana

Major: Accountancy (Masters)

College:

Robert C. Vackar

College of Business and Entrepreneurship

Internship:

PwC, *Advance Core Tax Intern*



How did you obtain your internship?

With the assistance of Ronnie Garcia from the Career Center (resume corrections, interview tips, and more), I was able to obtain my first PwC summer, advanced internship. I was selected to be in the first group to participate in the PwC Round Table.

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

I was a part of the Asset and Wealth Management team, which specifically dealt with State and Local Taxes and Financial Services. Our clients were corporations and partnerships that invest in stock, real estate, and alternative investments (mutual funds, hedge funds, etcetera). My duties included: prepping returns and extensions, K1s, e-filing, workpapers (e.g., QIP tests), reconciling state with federal returns, state withholding exemptions, notice responses, state source income grids, and more.

What was the exciting aspect of your internship?

It was exciting to get to work with different teams. Since PwC is an international firm, I collaborated with Accelerated Center teams from Argentina and India! I also had a client based in Chicago, which means I worked alongside with the PwC Chicago office team as well.

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

I recommend that you aim high because you never know which huge internship you can land! It's a great thing to be challenged so that we can get out of our comfort zone and grow as both individuals and professionals.

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

I give props to Ronnie Garcia for making major corrections to my resume, for providing me with interview tips, for motivating me, and for believing in me!