Ready To Launch Your Career?

Student Experience Internship Program (SEI)

Student Criteria, Eligibility, and Expectations

The Student Experience Internship (SEI) Program offered through the UTRGV Career Center employs students on campus and places them in positions to perform a variety of tasks (tied to their field of study) that will significantly contribute to their professional and career development.

What Students Will Gain

The Student Experience Internship (SEI) program is a paid internship program that will provide students the opportunity to develop professional and technical skills through hands-on learning to further support their career development. The SEI program is a specialized student employment program with focus on industry and field specific work relevant to the student’s field of study.

Academic Credit: Students will have the opportunity to receive academic credit for their participation in the SEI program. While academic credit is encouraged, it is not required. Students seeking to receive academic credit for their internship should contact their academic department for course requirements and/or prerequisites.

Program Eligibility

Candidates must:

- Be pursuing a bachelor’s degree for the first time at UTRGV
- Be enrolled 15 credit hours or more, each fall and spring semesters
- Be enrolled 6 credit hours during summer sessions (to continue working in the summer if funding is available)
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher with good academic standing
- Meet SAP (Satisfactory Academic Progress) requirements
- A minimum of 12 credit hours completed in residence as a full-time student at UTRGV
- A minimum of 30 credit hours completed for transfer students
- A maximum of 100 credit hours completed for first time applicants
- Be a U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident, or International Student with F-1 Visa.

Disqualifications:

- High School graduate or GED (High school students do not qualify)

Student Employment eligibility ends on the day a student separates from UTRGV for any reason other than completing his/her coursework.
Professional Achievement Experiences with SEI

Students participating in the Student Experience Internship (SEI) program will immerse themselves into experiences that will allow them to develop leadership skills, adopt professionalism, and excel in their career development. SEI students can expect to be involved in the following programs and activities.

- Attend a career fair of your choice
- Join the Student Leadership Academy
- Participate in a one-time presentation showcasing your SEI experience

**Career Fairs**

Students participating in the Student Experience Internship (SEI) program will be expected to attend one career fair of choice for the year participating in the program. The Career Center offers various career fairs for students in a variety of industries. Listed below are fairs offered each year you can attend.

- Fall Career Expo (all majors)
- Fall Teachers Job Expo
- Fall Graduate & Professional School Fair
- Spring Career Expo (all majors)
- Spring Teachers Job Expo
- Health Affairs and Nursing Expo

**Student Leadership Academy**

The Student Leadership Academy offered through the Office of Student Involvement is a co-curricular leadership development program that offers a mixture of personal, organizational, and community leadership. The purpose of this academy is to provide you with a comprehensive and collaborative learning experience that will benefit you as a student leader. The Student Leadership Academy in collaboration with the Student Experience Internship program hopes to fulfill this purpose by providing you with the tools and resources that you need to work together so that all UTRGV students benefit from the leadership roles you play.

The Student Leadership Academy is a student leadership program that provides you with three leadership tracks to which you can attend various sessions within to learn and develop skills in communication, critical thinking, teamwork, social responsibility, and personal responsibility. The leadership tracks are listed below.

- Emerging Leadership
- Engaged Leadership
- Resilient Leadership

As a Student Experience Intern (SEI), you automatically get listed as a participant of the Student Leadership Academy. To learn more about Student Leadership Academy, you may email leadership@utrgv.edu.

**Student Experience Presentation**

At the conclusion of your internship, you will be required to present on the knowledge and skills you have acquired through your internship experience with SEI. This can be done in a few ways including a mock interview, a slide presentation, or other similar format.