McAnulty Academic Program (MAP) Undergraduate Internships

The McAnulty College encourages all undergraduate students to participate in Internships as part of obtaining their Liberal Arts degrees. Academic Internships provide students the opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills they have gained in the classroom in a workplace setting, develop professional skills, and gain valuable work experience. In addition, guided reflection on the Internship experience under the supervision of a faculty mentor encourages students to connect what they are learning and doing in the Internship setting to the rest of their academic development in the College. Many undergraduate degrees require Internships.

- Students consult their major department’s website to locate its Internship (or Practica) information. Departments have ongoing ties with particular Internship placements, which are listed on the department and MAP websites. Departments, in conjunction with Career Services, also develop new Internship possibilities yearly.
- Students contact the department’s MAP Coordinator, listed in the webpage, who will arrange work with a designated faculty mentor to oversee the Internship and assess associated written assignments. Both the student and faculty advisor must sign a learning contract with a clear set of assignments. Sometimes this is done in conjunction with a 3-credit course for which the student may enroll.
- Students must have earned 60 or more credits prior to doing an Internship and must have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA (although departments may require a higher GPA). Students may do non-credit bearing Internships before having 60 credit hours.
- Each department lists its own regulations for its academic Internships on its website.

Hours Required for an Internship

For each 3-credit Internship, students are expected to work an average of at least 8 hours per week. This includes time spent at the placement, meeting with the faculty mentor, and writing pertinent academic reflections on the Internship experience.