INFORMATION SESSION

Entrepreneurship Quest:

Undergraduate Internship Program
Agenda

Please update your names on Zoom, and use the chat function for any questions.

- What is EQUIP?
  - Implementation Team
  - Program Background
  - Program Overview, Benefits and Eligibility
- Program Activities and Completion Requirements
- Application and Selection Process
- Questions and Answers
Implementation Team

- **Niki Peterson**, Senior Program Manager, Institute for Innovation & Entrepreneurship
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- **Leslie Peek**, Assistant Director, Internship & Career Center
What is EQUIP?

- Provides training in innovation, leadership and design thinking
- Prepares students from all disciplines including humanities, social sciences and STEM for successful work experiences
- Connects undergraduate students with internships in local startups and innovative companies
- Cultivates a network of students, mentors and business leaders to grow student leaders and help them explore career opportunities

EQUIP is a cross-campus collaboration between the Internship and Career Center, and the Institute for Innovation and Entrepreneurship.
Program Benefits

● Supplement your academic accomplishments with innovation, leadership, design thinking, communication and business skills – differentiate yourself!
● Gather with cohort of undergraduates across disciplines
● Cultivate your network of mentors and potential colleagues
● Explore career opportunities through internships
● Receive transcript notation and/or academic units for internship
● Certificate of completion

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Program Eligibility

- Current UC Davis undergraduate student in good academic standing in any discipline including humanities, social sciences and STEM
- Enrolled and available to participate for the duration of the program (Spring, Fall or Winter Quarter followed by internship)
- Prepared to accept an internship placement within one year of completing the workshop series
- Must be able to attend all program sessions (see next slide)
- Must complete an internship no later than 1 year after you complete the EQUIP Workshop series
Program Sessions (example)

**Thursdays**, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m., at Gallagher Hall, UC Davis

- TR, 3/31 - Introduction + Team building
- TR, 4/7 - Idea Logs + Design Thinking
- TR, 4/14 - Network/Growth Mindset + Activity
- TR, 4/21 - Elevator Pitch + Networking
- Wed, 4/27 - Building Network + Panel of Undergraduate Innovators
- TR, 5/5 - Interview Practice, Leadership + Internship Search
- TR, 5/19 - How to be Successful: Professionalism + Managing Conflicts

**Other Events**

- Spring Internship and Career Fair – TBD
- Summer Reunion – TBD
- Think. Do. Discover. Speaker Event – April 20, 2022, 5:00 – 6:30 pm, ARC
- Individual Career Advising Meetings – TBD
- Authentic Career Experience/Internship Placement – within one year or completing workshop series
Internships

- Career exploration opportunities in startup and innovative companies of all types
- Facilitated placement in internships
- Option for transcript notation and/or academic units for internship
Application Process

Complete the **EQUIP Application Form** that includes three short answer questions. Attach your Resume.

See website for application deadline: https://innovate.ucdavis.edu/equip
Selection Process

Program participants will be selected based on:

- Alignment of applicant’s goals with the program objectives
- Ability and commitment to fully participate in all aspects of the program
- Collaboration in a group dynamic
- Transferable skills
- *Prior Entrepreneurship experience is not required*
Selection Timeline

Complete the online Application

Group Interviews on Zoom; We will contact you

EQUIP Offers: We will contact you and let you know if you have been accepted to the program or not
Should you apply? Are you...

• Seeking additional skills in innovation and leadership?

• Ready to develop your job seeking skills?

• Ready to differentiate yourself in any career path?

• Looking to expand your professional network?

• Seeking guidance and inspiration to clarify your career aspirations?
Thank you for your interest!

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