



Experiential Learning Center

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO **DENVER**

Internships and Research Opportunities

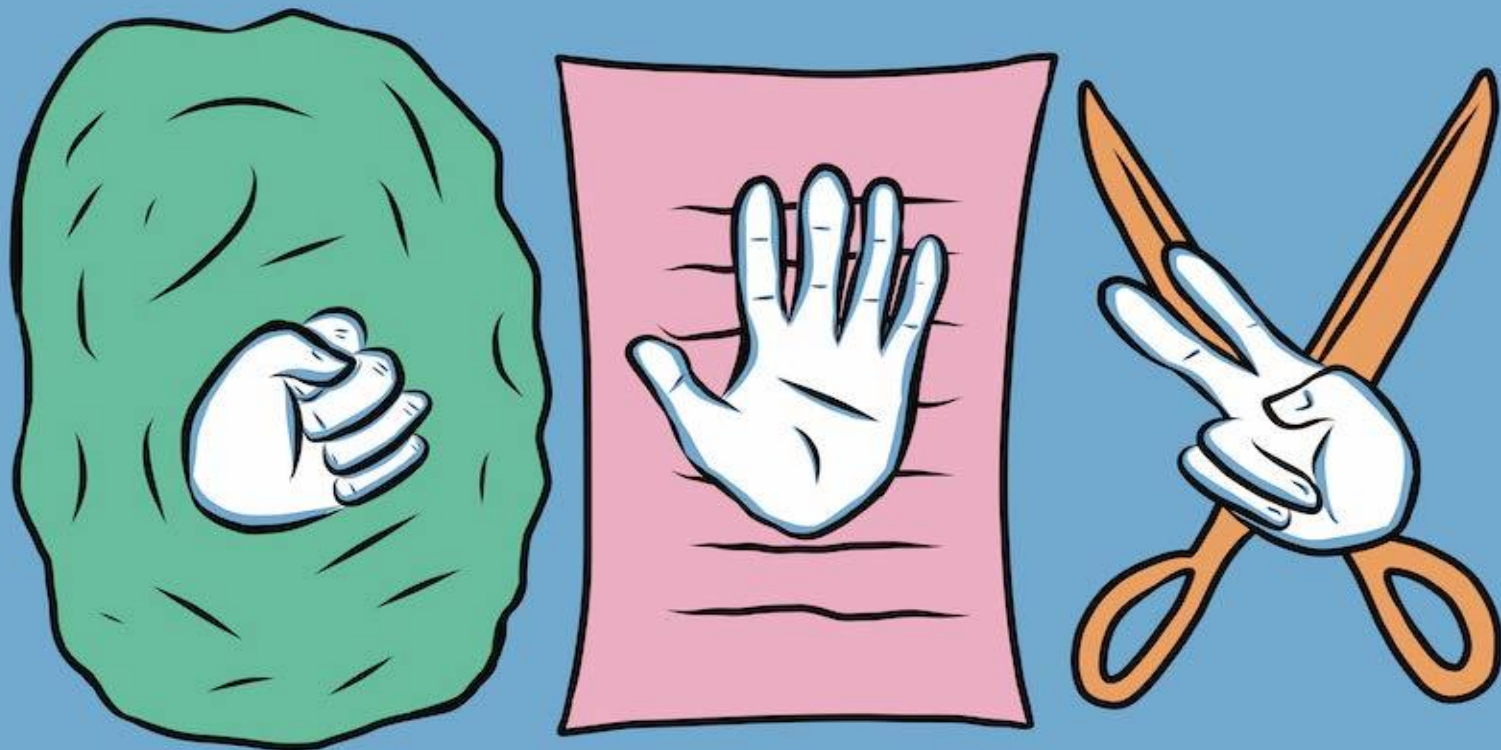
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Ice Breaker!





Presentation Time!



What is Experiential Learning?

- A process through which students develop knowledge, skills, and values from direct experiences outside of a traditional academic setting
- Exploration through experience!
- Types of Experiential Learning
 - » Ex: Internships, undergraduate research, study abroad, service learning, fellowships, research assistantships, student teaching, and volunteering



What is the Experiential Learning Center?

- CU Denver's primary resource for the coordination of experiential learning
- Emphasis on an unparalleled student experience
- Unique office in a university system



Missions and Values

- Assist in internship and research process
 - » Internship search, application process, resume and cover letter help, mock interviews, internship evaluation, etc
- Ensure high-quality experiential learning opportunities
 - » You are our priority!



Finding Experiential Learning Opportunities

- Handshake: Available through the [ELC website](#)
- LinkedIn
- Indeed.com, Internships.com, Google Jobs
- Word of mouth
- Professional Network



Internships at CU Denver

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INTERNSHIPS

Academic	vs.	Not for Credit
A unique way to receive credit within your department		Still receive support from the university and gain experience

Internship Norms

- Duration of your internship will be about a semester
- About 8-12 hours a week
- Good academic standing GPA



- High profile internships of CU Denver students
 - » Ernst & Young
 - » Pixar
 - » Architecture Workshop
 - » Lockheed Martin
 - » Denver Health
 - » Denver Public Schools
 - » Denver Police Department
 - » Anschutz Medical Campus

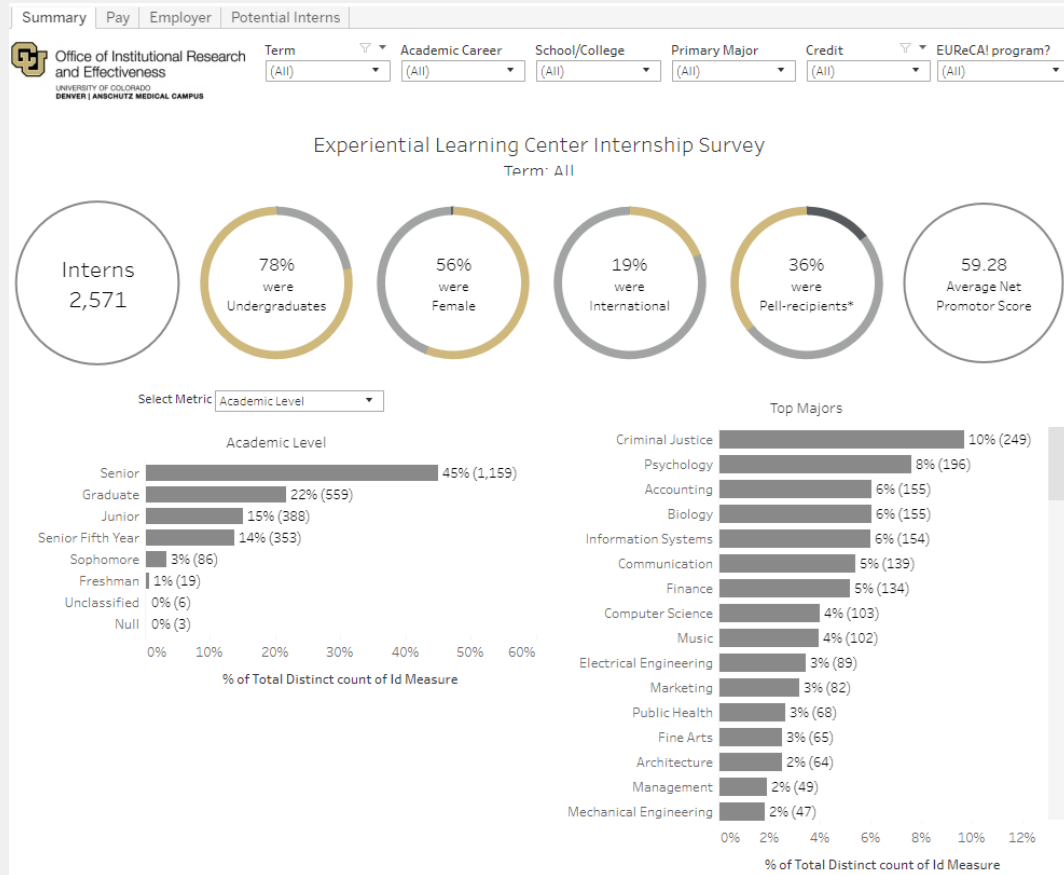


Internship Facts

- Chance to apply classroom knowledge into the world of work
- Networking opportunities
- Evaluation opportunity for students
- Paid internships at CU Denver average \$14-\$16/hr

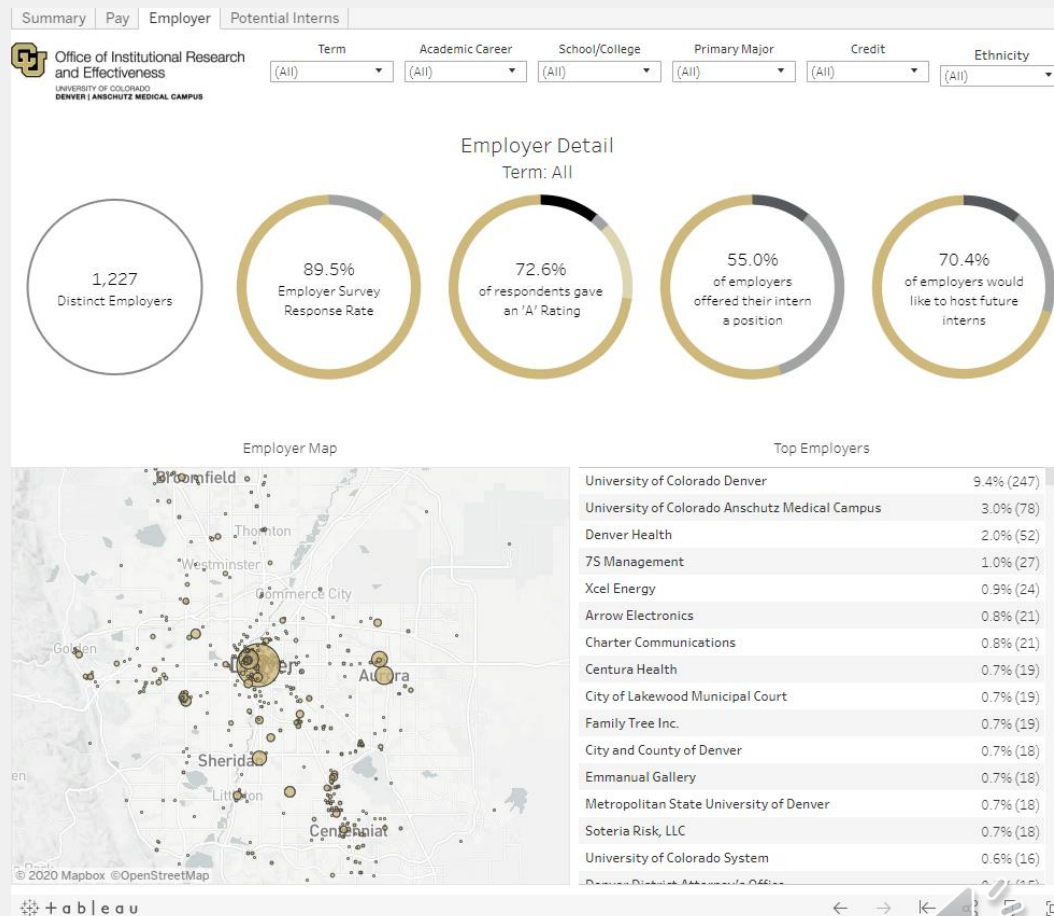


Internship Facts (continued)



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■ For CU Denver internships, 55% of employers offered their interns a position after the internship cycle!!!



EUReCA!

- EUReCA! Work Study
 - » Uses Federal Work-Study awards to support students in research
 - » Matches students with qualified faculty
- EUReCA! Fellows Program
 - » Highly competitive summer research program
 - 40 hours a week
 - » \$4,500 stipend
 - » Open to all disciplines
 - Meant for experienced student researchers
- Summer Lynx Academy
 - » Entering research for new students
 - » Course code: UNIV 1111



Research Facts

- Research: Scholarly activity in your field of study
 - » Not just working in a lab
- There are funding opportunities!
 - » Check your work-study eligibility
- Research experience matters
 - » Extensive research experience makes you a stronger candidate for graduate school and many fields



Summary

- The ELC is a unique resource that helps with coordinating experiential learning
- Experiential learning helps clarify your professional aspirations while making you a more qualified and candidate
- There are a number of positions, companies, and opportunities to choose from



Questions?



CU Denver Resources



- LynxConnect (Tivoli 439) (303-315-4000)
 - » Experiential Learning = ELC
 - » Career Development = Career Center
 - » Study Abroad = Office of Global Education
 - » UR = Office of Undergraduate Research
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