



# CAL CORPS

Public Service Center

For Students

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## Tips for Taking Courses with Internship Component

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From conversations with community partners, here are some important points to keep in mind when seeking interns on the Cal Campus:

### Community Partners/Host Sites Seek:

- From Student Interns
  - Commitment from student: one semester, 8 hours per week minimum
  - Willingness to do whatever work requires...assisting not necessarily own projects
  - Students with a clear understanding of their strengths and commitments: what they want to learn and what skills they have
  - List of skills from intern
  - Willingness on part of students to meet the community being served directly
  - Curiosity
  - Clear communication
  - Willingness to take risks

### Faculty Seek:

- From both Students and Community Partners:
  - Internship taken seriously
  - Periodic communication between students, partners, and faculty
  - Commitment
- From Community Partner
  - Knowing and understanding requirements
  - Job description and supervision
  - Organizational Context
  - Background History of Issue
  - Volunteer coordination
  - Infrastructure
  - Communication with organizations
  - Everyone committed



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