

iSCHOLARS

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The iScholars program is an interactive 12-week innovation-focused internship that integrates a “hands-on minds-on” experience in the National Capital Region. The selected cohort of students will be immersed into the entrepreneurial world of business with the goal of students working with the iScholars corporate partners to learn and develop the necessary abilities to thrive in the new innovation-based economy.



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THE PROGRAM:

Our program and companies are focused on the student experience. Selected students will join the iScholars community of students and participate in the Fall on-boarding course. Throughout the 2017-2018 academic year, iScholar partner companies will interview students during 3 periods: September-November, December-February, and March-May. The periods are based on the company size; larger companies interview students in the fall and smaller companies interview in the spring. iScholars are not guaranteed an internship, however they are given opportunities to have their resume seen by all companies, network with companies, and gain the necessary skills to succeed in the new innovation-based economy. New iScholars will have the ability to learn and be mentored by past iScholars' and network with like minded individuals.

STUDENTS WILL:

- Develop problem-solving skills, critical thinking, and an entrepreneurial mindset.
- Learn best practices in resume writing, interview skills, and professionalism
- Have opportunity to intern with iScholars corporate partner that best suits both the student and company interests and needs.
- Earn at least \$15/hour at 40 hours per week during the summer.
- Live and Work in the National Capital Region.
- Have the option to live in WeLive in Crystal City (www.welive.com) surrounded by fellow entrepreneurial-minded individuals.
- Participate in a one-credit course (Fall) based on the Startupland curriculum (www.startupland.tv).
- Participate in summer seminars for professional development that will include mentoring, reflection, guest speakers, and field trips.
- Build a network with students and professional innovators in the program to share ideas and experiences.



ESTIMATED COSTS:

- Housing at WeLive (optional): \$3645 for May 15-August 31.
- Parking, Transportation and Food expenses will vary.

ESTIMATED INCOME:

- Paid Internship wages: \$7200 minimum
- Scholarships for students who are exemplary in all aspects of the program \$500-1000 (awarded at end of program)



2018 PROGRAM TIME LINE

Friday, June 30.....	Student Applications due
Wednesday, July 5.....	Process to sign-up for interview time slots
Friday, July 14.....	Start of program interviews
Wednesday, July 19.....	Accepted program participants announced
Fall Semester.....	Accepted program participants take preparatory course
Program dates.....	Mid-May to mid-August 2018

For more information

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