The Academic Internship Program is administered by the County of Los Angeles, Department of Human Resources. The program’s goal is to place university students within County departments as student interns for the completion of specific projects, research or studies ordered by the Board of Supervisors or developed by a County department. These internships are unpaid and projects are carefully designed to offer each intern a practical and meaningful work experience. Participants normally spend 8-16 hours per week at their internship unless noted differently on the project description.

Who Qualifies?
Academic Internship applicants must be junior, senior or graduate level university students who are currently enrolled in good academic standing and will be completing their internships for academic credit at an Academic Internship partnering educational institution. Upon joining the program, interns must be able to provide their own transportation to and from the internship site. As a general rule, interns are expected to be available at least eight (8) hours a week.

To view a listing of Partnering Universities, please Click here.

How to apply to the Program?
Please click on the Current Internship Projects link below and identify 2-3 projects you would like to work on. After you have identified the projects, please Click here to complete the application process.

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If you do not find your educational institution listed or for additional information, contact the Department of Human Resources by email at interns@hr.lacounty.gov or at (213) 893-7810.