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During my internship at the Department of Development, I learned how to plan events, and the implementation process to make each event successful. It taught me many hands on skills on how to deal with projects and events. Working for the Department of Development has helped me realize how much I enjoy working with people such as local politicians, leaders of the community, and business owners. I hope that in the future I am able to find a job working with people.

My internship experience has been excellent. As a student athlete I have had to take a lot of time off work because of my meets. My boss has been more than willing to allow me to take off for these events, and encourage me that my education and collegiate athletics come before my internship. The position that I have at the moment as Water Meter Coordinator is a temporary position. They have told me that they want to keep me around translating documents for the Latino population in the city. I would most certainly recommend this internship to any business student. They do all kinds of business related activities ranging from management to marketing and even financing. I think that if a student had the opportunity to intern, they should totally take advantage and do it. The knowledge you gain is not only priceless but it cannot be taught in any classroom.

My advice to students is to take advantage of the resources that the campus has to offer. Learn about your department, who can help you achieve what you want. Many times in business it is not about what you know but who you know and the connections that you get there. Be persistent. Even if the internship you want is not hiring at the moment, leave your application and resume. I know from experience that just because that internship is not hiring at the time, does not mean that they won't hire you in the future. I had heard about my present internship in May of 2009. I sent an application with my resume as soon as I was informed. Four months later I got an email saying that the Development Office was looking for a new intern.