



UACDC Fall Intern Corps

The UACDC Corporate intern process is now open for the fall and looking for change agents interested in community transformation. Fall Intern Corps is an opportunity to affect the lives of 50,000 people who live in the University Area as well as gain valuable experience for one of the top non-profits in the Tampa Bay region! Our goal is to inspire, prepare and develop accomplished student leaders to meet the challenges of community transformation by van guarding the efforts of the University Area Community Development Corporation (UACDC). Anyone who is interested in gaining experience in Community Engagement, Social Services, Juvenile Diversion Programs and marketing campaigns, the UACDC can offer. The departments that are currently accepting interns are as follows:

OFFICE OF THE CEO

1. Executive Aid

Working directly with the CEO to help with our partners coalition of over 70 non-profit, government and business partners working to transform the community and the "Make it Happen!" campaign, which will be a mix of transformational initiatives and programs as well as a community-wide fundraising efforts in collaboration with our full time grant writer in locating and identifying grants that work well with the overall mission of UACDC. We are searching for individuals interested in public relations/ marketing and photography, data management/analysis, summit planning and coordinating, event planning/organizational development, fundraising and public works such as, a community market and community garden.

What will the intern gain from completing this project?

Corporate intern will be dealing with community contacts, fundraising, development experience, and organizational and non-profit experience. Networking, grant writing, design, program design, group facilitation, presentation skills, etc.



Office of the COO

Community Nutrition Coordinator

To promote and support healthier eating habits and to learn adequate nutrition needs through gardening in the University Area. By identifying community members who are interested in having their own garden, we will begin to build collective efficacy through co-op crop sharing. The UACDC will actively support community-building edible gardening initiatives and projects, and participate in community garden networks in the greater Tampa Bay area. The UACDC will promote organic gardening by teaching raised bed gardening, sustainable gardening methods, water conservation and alternatives to non-organic pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers. The UACDC will also promote training and education fostering a climate of sharing and caring among members, leading to a stronger and more effective local community. Community gardens have lots of benefits: They've been shown to reduce crime, foster relationships, provide low-cost food and benefit psychological health.

Primary Objective

To build a garden that is maintained and cared for by the UA community, where residents are able to feed their families healthy and nutritious foods by which they grew themselves.

What will the intern gain from completing this project?

We are committed to strengthening our community through community organizing, with the goal of broad based community engagement in creating a green economy. The intern will learn everything that it takes to create a community garden in a low income area, coupled with the experience and satisfaction of helping individuals eat a more healthy diet that will help their overall health.

An intern will have the opportunity to help build this project from the ground up and will learn all aspects of what it takes to create a successful community garden. The intern will be able to interact with community members and get a better understanding of what the needs of this community are and be able to address some of them through this program. Project planning, implementation, trouble shooting, community outreach, marketing, public relations, social services and horticulture are all areas of skill that will be available through this internship.

Preferred:

Horticulture, Agriculture, Public Health or Botanical experience or a degree in that area is a must. We are looking for someone that is familiar with soil samples, vegetation planting for Hillsborough County, irrigation needs as well as general gardening experience.



OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1. Development and Community Engagement Intern

Directly work with the Community Engagement Coordinator in mapping out the different entities within the University Area and serve as a primary liaison to the different constituencies within the area. Intern will be in charge of distribution of volunteers and extrapolating information within the area. Intern must be comfortable in high profile meetings with opinion leaders and political representatives. Such as, Tampa Bay City Council, City of Tampa Mayor, State Legislators and Representatives, Members of Congress and Federal Senate.

What will the intern gain?

Greater understanding of the University Area Communities needs and concerns. The ability to organize, develop and implement change on various levels. Promote professional development, character building and leadership. The intern will enhance their public speaking ability by presenting in high caliber meetings. The intern will have great access to project planning and implementation, community outreach and engagement and a lot of networking and capacity building.

2. Representative to Hispanic Community in the University Area

Gain experience in community organizing and extrapolating information to voice the concerns of the Latin population in the area and need to develop relationships with them so that they can open up and voice their worries so we can take action. This intern will be working directly with the Community Engagement Officer the Mexican Consulate and various other tastemakers, opinion leaders, state and national leaders.

What will the intern gain?

Greater understanding of the University Area communities needs and concerns especially the Hispanic community. The ability to organize, develop and implement change on various levels. Promote professional development, character building and leadership. The intern will enhance their public speaking ability by presenting in high caliber meetings. The intern will have great access to project planning and implementation, community outreach and engagement.

