

INTERNSHIP SPOTLIGHT

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Graduation Semester & Year: Fall 2022

Semester & Year of Internship: Summer 2021

Major: Management

Minor: Healthcare Management

Hobbies: Reading, Writing, Watching Netflix

Campus Activities: Student Alumni Association

Future Plans/Career Goals: I hope that I can open my own business to run along with a full-time position. I aim to have my business be my passive income once I retire. My goal is for a storage unit or a carwash.

Hometown: Irwin, PA



- **Internship (company/your title):**
Philips/Operations Finance Intern
- **How did you find your internship?**
I found my internship on the Philips website directly.
- **What were your duties?**
I was responsible for updating specific spreadsheets weekly. In addition, I was given tasks to pull data out of SAP on a regular basis. One of my biggest accomplishments at my internship was being able to update the data within SAP and close out Cost Centers that were outdated.
- **How many hours per week were you at your internship site?**
40 hours- Full-Time from May-August 2021
- **What did you enjoy most about your internship?**
I personally enjoyed the environment. It was extremely welcoming. I was encouraged to ask questions and get myself involved in many other areas.
- **What was the most difficult aspect of the internship?**
It was a transition to get my first experience in the business world. I had to get used to the 9-5 lifestyle, which took a few weeks to get used to.
- **How did your experience at UPG and in the Management department prepare you for your internship?**
Pitt- Greensburg's wonderful professors gave me the real life insight that helped me with this role. They gave the classes with the examples of how it relates to the real world.
- **How has your internship prepared you for a career?**
It has given me more confidence in my abilities in the future. I know that I enjoy Finance and Operations, which I did not know for sure beforehand. I am excited to graduate and begin my career. I know that I love my major with certainty and that is extremely helpful.
- **What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship?**
Just do it! You will be nervous. Do not let the fear of messing up at the internship keep you from accepting the position. Also, network with as many other interns in the company and other colleagues as possible. Utilize LinkedIn to your advantage as well.

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