Employer Partners

Experiential learning unites Eastern, its students and employers in a mutually beneficial arrangement. Employers gain a ready source of qualified and motivated temporary employees for short-term projects or longer-term work. Students benefit by gaining valuable career-related work experience to enhance their marketability in a changing economy. Employers can select students based on their own needs, students’ field of study and related skills, interests and abilities. Students are able to determine if the field of work they have chosen is a good fit while employers are able to see a student intern as a potential full-time employee.

We also invite you or a company representative to come speak to Eastern students about your company, industry, your personal career story, or current career opportunities. Give valuable insight to students about what you do and how you got there! We welcome your ideas and are always happy to have you on campus interacting with our students.

For more information on how you can open doors to careers, contact The Center for Internships and Career Development at (860) 465-4559 or visit www.easternct.edu/career/employerservices.htm.

“BlumShapiro has an excellent relationship with the Accounting faculty and their students at Eastern Connecticut State University,” says Frederick H. Hughes Jr. ’87, a partner at BlumShapiro. Hughes has worked closely with The Center for Internships and Career Development and the Accounting faculty to offer student internships at the accounting firm. “Each fall we make it a point of visiting the campus to educate students about internship and employment opportunities at BlumShapiro.” A number of Eastern students who have interned with BlumShapiro have been hired by the firm after graduation.
Eastern’s liberal arts education is grounded in a core curriculum that all students share, independent of their majors and career aspirations. Experiential learning, both on and off campus, builds upon this classroom learning, providing students with opportunities to develop intellectually while learning to become leaders and engaged citizens.

Liberal Arts Work!, a vital initiative in Eastern’s Strategic Plan, expands experiential learning options for students. Such pre-professional experiences as undergraduate research, creative production, internship, co-ops or service learning help students apply theory to practice, clarify their career goals, develop their skills in real-world settings, and better prepare them for a job or postgraduate studies.

Eastern offers 37 undergraduate majors and 54 minors for students in its B.S. and B.A. degree programs. Graduate programs leading to a Master of Science include Education, Organizational Management and Educational Technology.

**What do we do?**

The Center for Interships and Career Development works to foster excellence in career development, preparation and professional opportunities for students and alumni by providing comprehensive services and by promoting strong partnerships between employers and academic departments. Students benefit from current information on the real workforce needs of employers.

- We help employment recruiters, from big corporations to small nonprofit agencies, discover, recruit and hire Eastern students and alumni. We help with both internship hiring and entry-level career position hiring.

- We meet with employers to learn of their current and future workforce requirements, and communicate this information to academic departments to align curriculum with labor market needs.

We utilize Experience™, the web-based recruiting management tool that allows employers the opportunity to create company profiles, post employment and internship opportunities, and search student and alumni resumes. The system is user-friendly and free to all approved employers. Log onto our website to create your account: http://eastern.experience.com.