

Questions to Ask During Your Internship

An internship is an opportunity to gain valuable career-related information about a specific industry and employer. The following are questions you may want to ask people you meet during your internship experience.

- What do you like (and dislike) about working in this sector? For this organization?
- What are the entry level jobs in this field or organization?
- How does the organization contribute to its employees' professional development?
- What is a typical career path in this field or organization?
- What is the best way to enter this occupation?
- What are the skills that are most important for a position in this field?
- What can you tell me about the culture?
- Can you estimate future job openings?
- What college courses have been the most valuable to you in your work? What would you recommend for me?
- Is a graduate degree necessary for success in this field?
- What abilities or personal qualities do you believe contribute most to success in this field/job?
- What are the typical entry-level job titles and functions?
- Which professional journals, organizations, or online resources would help me learn more about this field?
- What trends or challenges are impacting the future of this occupation? This organization?