# Discovery Lab (DLabG) Experiential Learning Internships



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This is an informational flyer to offer college freshmen (both current & incoming) an <u>experiential learning</u> internships in our **Summer-at-Discovery's-Edge (SADE) program**. Here are some of the questions we are anticipating from students:

## Q1: who should apply?

**A1: college freshmen** (both current & incoming) looking for handson experience tackling real world problems in **entrepreneurial ways**.

## Q2: what are some of the projects?

**A2:** our overall program has a portfolio of over 20 different projects but for this offer, we are limiting projects to 4 areas:

- 1. mobile apps ..... project Cyber-Guide
- 2. 3D virtual reality ...... project Deep HoriXons
- 3. wearable technology ........ Symphony SmartWear
- 4. radical Drone concepts ...... project Guardian Falcon

## Q3: how long are the internships and when do they start?

**A3:** 4-week or 8-week internships that begin as early as May for some schools and ends as late as Sept for others. We're flexible.

## Q4: how much time is required since I have other summer plans?

**A4:** this is a part time (flex time) experiential learning internship. Projects will require 10-15 hours/week depending on the project.

#### Q5: how does an 8-week internship differ from a 4-week?

**A5:** same experience except that all projects are open to 8-week internships while 4-week internships will focus on 3D virtual reality.

#### Q6: do I need to relocate to participate?

**A6:** No. Students can participate from home as 3D avatars via our virtual reality campus & via our robotic telepresence capability.

#### Q7: tell me more about the avatars and 3D virtual reality campus!

A7: every student completes a Virtual Reality Academy (VRA) in our virtual campus to learn how to be an 3D avatar -- 8th graders have completed VRAs using a computer with internet plus free software.

# Q8: how much does it pay?

A8: it is unpaid as a project-based Experiential Learning internship

#### Q9: if it's unpaid why should I even consider this internship?

**A9:** this is <u>only</u> for students who want <u>early</u> hands-on experience to help <u>strengthen their resumes</u>, <u>to grow professionally</u> and to gain new technical experience <u>to help make better career decisions</u>.

Virtual Technology Conference (VTecCon): Students who aren't interested in an internship could still apply for the VRA part to get an avatar that lets them attend our July 200-avatar VTecCon to hear from researchers from around the world talking about their exciting research. A Virtual Career Fair will also be held during VTecCon to give students a chance to meet research companies in VTecCon.

Students interested in applying for this unique opportunity, need to complete the steps on the right **before Mar 27 deadline**.







MOBILE APP





**DRONE ENGINEERING** 

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FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS <u>CAREFULLY</u>: Send an email <u>BEFORE</u>
 <u>11PM</u> EST (Mar 27) using the following subject line template:

## S2016 1214 Learning-Internship X YLN YFN

to <a href="mailto:DLabG.resume@gmail.com">DLabG.resume@gmail.com</a> (notice the period ".")

(YLN YFN equals YourLastName YourFirstName respectively)

X indicates which internship you're applying for—ie. X = 0 for just the VRA; X=4 for a 4-week internship; X=8 for an 8-week

Example: S2016 1214 Learning-Internship 8 Smith Johnathan

- ATTACH a one-page resume as text file (eg word doc) give it
  a filename that includes your full name. Give only city, state,
   zip code as home address. Do NOT include your phone #.
- Also <u>ATTACH</u> an interview video (mp4) to the email that is <u>exactly</u> 1 minute and 57 seconds long (1:57). It <u>must be</u> in <u>mp4</u> video format (keep it <u>under</u> 10 MB as much as possible) give it a filename that includes your full name in it.
- 4. Answer these questions in your email <u>and</u> also in your 1:57 video. Clearly indicate which question is being answered for video you could "flash" the question as text on the screen first.
  - (1) What do you hope to gain from the experience if selected?
  - (2) What 2 project are from the <u>list of 4</u> on the left are you most interested in? Why? Why would you succeed in them?
  - (3) This unique opportunity is <u>not</u> for those who are lazy or quick to complain & blame when things get difficult. Is that you?!
  - (4) Name 2 non-family adults willing to recommend you for this internship e.g. teachers, etc. Why would they recommend you? With their permission provide their email addresses (put them only in your email & not in your interview video).
  - (5) Describe an AWESOME(!!) cool idea for a project that we should do in the future. It doesn't have to be on our list of 4.
  - **(6)** Did you replace the **X** placeholder in your subject line with the number zero, 4, or 8? Which did you select of the 3 (ie either 4 or 8 week internship or just the VRA)...and why?