

# THE CENTER FOR ENGAGED LEARNING AT FURMAN UNIVERSITY



**91%**  
STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN AT LEAST ONE HIGH IMPACT PRACTICE (study away, internship, undergraduate research) during their time at Furman\*

## WHAT IS THE FURMAN INTERNSHIP ADVANTAGE?

Students are encouraged to think about their interests and goals, and then work with the Internship Office to develop a plan to take advantage of resources to find and apply for an internship that matches those interests – locally, nationally and internationally.

Our personalized attention helps students present themselves professionally through networking, job shadowing, resumes, cover letters, LinkedIn profiles and interviews as they compete for internships.

- **Opportunities are available year-round.** A supportive and dynamic local community consisting of over 300 organizations, representing business, government, arts and non-profits, offer internships for Furman students; part-time during the academic year and full-time in the summer.
- **Internships are available through study away and internship classes are offered for credit in most majors.** Thanks to support from alumni, parents and friends of Furman, the university has a growing network of contacts from a broad range of professions.
- **Summer fellowship program provides funding.** Students who have full-time summer internships have the opportunity to apply for competitive fellowship to support their summer experience – across all majors.

**72%**  
GRADUATES WHO PARTICIPATED IN INTERNSHIPS\*

## Top Applied Skills Employers Look for in College Graduates

Internships are a valuable means for students to transfer skills from the classroom and build confidence in their abilities as they apply the knowledge and experience gained during their time at Furman. Below are the kinds of skills and abilities students hone through their engaged learning experiences, which employers look for when hiring recent college graduates.\*\*

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| CRITICAL THINKING/<br>PROBLEM SOLVING  | LEADERSHIP                           |
| ORAL COMMUNICATION                     | CREATIVITY INNOVATION                |
| WRITTEN COMMUNICATION                  | LIFELONG LEARNING/<br>SELF DIRECTION |
| TEAMWORK/<br>COLLABORATION             | PROFESSIONALISM/<br>WORK ETHIC       |
| DIVERSITY                              | ETHICS/<br>SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY     |
| INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/<br>APPLICATION |                                      |

To learn more, schedule an appointment at [www.furman.edu/intern](http://www.furman.edu/intern)

\*based on senior survey reports

\*\*Source: 2014 Conference Board, Partnership for the 21st Century Skills, Corporate Voices for working families, Society for Human Resource Management Survey of over 400 employers.