



How to Apply

for a 2020 SHECP Internship

Shepherd Higher Education Consortium on Poverty

1. Apply on-line at <https://www.shepherdconsortium.org/about-internships/internship-application/>
2. You can save your application and return via link sent to your email (link expires in 30 days).
3. The application deadline varies among the colleges. The deadlines are between Oct 3- January 12. For more information, contact your college internship director, <https://www.shepherdconsortium.org/about-internships/internship-directors/>

For the on-line application, you will be asked to:

4. Provide information about yourself, including contact information, college, major, etc...
5. List relevant college courses you have taken.
6. Write four short essays:
 - a. What do you know about poverty? Where have you acquired that knowledge? How has that led you to apply for this internship?
 - b. What experience have you had working with nonprofits or community partners? Describe what you learned about working in these environments - including challenges that you faced and how that has prepared you for the SHECP Internship.
 - c. What outcome(s) do you anticipate as a result of participating in the SHECP Internship? How do you foresee this program impacting your future education and career?
 - d. This internship challenges students professionally and personally. Students live together with other interns in modest housing, ride public transportation, and work in agencies serving people who may be experiencing extreme stress. Please describe a time when you experienced adversity, how it impacted you, and what you learned about care for yourself and others in challenging environments.
7. Identify the field (or two) of work that most interests you. 1) Education and Youth Outreach. 2. Community and Individual Services. 3) Legal or Business. 4) Healthcare or Wellness.
8. Describe skills and experience that you would bring to an agency working in that field(s).
9. Geographic Openness or Restrictions – Are you open to interning in any of the 15+ geographic locations where SHECP has placements, or is there any reason that you may not be able to work in one or more?
10. Upload a professional resume in a PDF format.
11. Provide the name and contact email for the person you have asked (and who has agreed) to write a letter on your behalf. Letter should be signed and sent directly by recommender to dehartak@shepherdconsortium.org
12. Indicate if you have some proficiency in a language beyond English.
13. When you submit your application, you will see an online confirmation and receive a notification email with a copy of your application. Additionally, SHECP and your college internship director will receive the same notification. If you do not receive an email immediately, please contact dehartak@shepherdconsortium.org.
14. Your college internship director will contact you to schedule an on-campus interview, and, after the interview, will notify you about acceptance to the program.
15. Accepted interns will need to affirm their commitment to the program and review and sign a 2020 Participation Agreement no later than February 7.
16. SHECP is informed by your college if you are an accepted intern. SHECP will then contact you so that you can register as an intern and then have a conversation to discuss a variety of possible placements. Most accepted interns will be matched with an agency by April 1, 2020.