University of Pittsburgh Police Department

Internship Program Description

The goal of the internship program is to have a partnership with students who are seeking a future employment in the law enforcement profession. These students should want to learn and understand the role of the criminal justice system and community-oriented policing. The goal is communicated and instructed by highly trained, self-motivated, and positive ambassadors of the department.

Intern Primary Learning Objectives

Policy and Procedures

- Department (e.g., appearance, assignments/units, ARMS/Reports, dispatch)
- City (e.g., radio, MCB)
- County (e.g., ASAP/Summons/Warrants)
- State (e.g., JNET/NCIC/CLEAN)

Geography

- Buildings (fire panels)
- Parking lots
- Streets

Law Enforcement

- Physical Arrest
- Non-traffic
- Traffic
- Evidence/Recovered Property

Internship Length (At least 120 hours)

- Two interns are accepted semester
- Internship Coordinator will work with student(s) on semester schedule to include ride-along sessions with shift officers as well as learning objectives for each day.

Administration

- Internship Coordinator
- Field Training Coordinator
- Field Training Officers
- Community Programs Unit

Additional Training

- Interns may work on community engagement projects and partnerships within the Community Programs Unit.
- Interns may work with specialized units such as Investigations.