

# **Department of Finance – Internship Policy (FIN 399)**

# Student Eligibility:

To be eligible to apply to have internship credit used as a finance elective, the student must have by the beginning of the internship:

- 1. Completed FIN 360 with a grade of B or higher,
- 2. Completed one additional upper-level finance elective with a grade of C or higher, and
- 3. A grade point average of 3.00 or higher in all upper-level finance courses.

#### Criteria:

For internship credit to be applied as a finance elective:

- 1. The internship must involve substantial exposure to the financial aspects of the company's operations or a variety of finance-related learning experiences.
- 2. The learning experience from the internship must be substantive and varied. The learning experience should include valuable finance skills as well as cognitive growth and understanding. Many internships will require a written paper, supplementing internship work responsibilities, to meet these expectations.
- 3. The internship must involve 60 hours per credit hour earned.
- 4. There must be an approved list of internship objectives to be achieved by the intern through completing the internship.
- 5. There must be an approved, detailed job description from the company (on official letterhead) and an agreement to certify hours worked and complete an evaluation of your work.
- 6. The internship must be a new experience—You may not receive credit for an existing or prior job/internship.
- 7. Internships are not permitted with firms that are owned or managed, fully or in part, by family members, nor can interns be supervised, directly or indirectly, by family members.

### Procedure:

- 1. The application for applying internship credit as a finance elective should be submitted to the Department at least two months prior to the beginning of the internship.
- 2. Internship credit will not be approved retroactively.
- 3. No more than 3 credit hours of Internship credit may be used for finance electives.
- 4. Approval of all applications is subject to the discretion of the Department.
- 5. Successful applicants are required to complete a post-internship assessment.

## Assessment:

Internship Journal 20% Bi-weekly report of job activities. Student Paper/Project40% Written paper, 5 pages, double spaced.

Supervisor's Evaluation 40% Standard form and written evaluation, 1 page