INTERNSHIP SPOTLIGHT

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Graduation Year: 2016
Major: Psychology
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• Internship (company/your title):
Westmoreland Casemanagement & Supports, Inc. (WCSI)-Behavioral Health Intern

• What were your duties?
Accompanying mentors on home visits, completing mandatory and voluntary trainings, weekly meetings with supervisor.

• What did you enjoy most about your internship?
I enjoyed meeting new people and learning about clients and their unique situations.

• What was the most difficult aspect of the internship?
Although meeting clients was my favorite part of the internship, case management is a tough position. You wish you could help everyone and some of the cases are harder than others.

• How did your experience at UPG and in the Psychology department prepare you for your internship?
I was prepared for this internship because I knew how to approach different situations, the kind of people I would be dealing with, and I even knew some of the terms that were used at the hospital thanks to the Psychology department at UPG.

• How has your internship prepared you for a career?
I hopefully intend to stick with WCSI after the completion of my internship. The experiences I have gained here have helped me grow as a person and an employee. Everyone was so willing to answer my questions and show me as much as they could, which will help me in the future here and wherever else I end up.

• What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship?
Take it serious, no matter what you are doing. Even if it is not what you want to end up doing, be professional and thank everyone you encounter, you never know if you may need their help later on!