INTERNSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Kathleen Price

Graduation Semester & Year: Spring 2021
Semester & Year of Internship: Fall 2019
Major: Psychology
Minor: Chemistry & Statistics
Hometown: Altoona, PA
Hobbies: Crafts, Baking, Playing guitar and ukulele, Volleyball, Crocheting, Embroidery
Campus Activities: Volleyball, Active Minds, Psi Chi, CFC, Pitt Fight, Phi Kappa Phi, Relay for Life
Future Plans/Career Goals: Go to medical school and pursue a career in psychiatry

• Internship (company/your title):
  Student Services - Blue Scholar

• How did you find your internship?
  It was recommended to me by a faculty member to earn credits for my statistics minor.

• What were your duties?
  I completed a variety of tasks involving data analysis, survey creation, research, and report writing

• How many hours per week were you at your internship site?
  10 hours/week

• What did you enjoy most about your internship?
  I enjoyed looking at sheets of data that were 300 lines of gibberish and turning them into coherent words and graphs and finding an overall meaning from chaos.

• What was the most difficult aspect of the internship?
  Occasionally I would have to find ways to work around the data and use unconventional methods to make sense of it.

• How did your experience at UPG and in the Statistics/Psychology departments prepare you for your internship?
  My experience at UPG in the statistics and psychology departments prepared me tremendously for my internship. My statistics courses and experience as a tutor gave me the basis of what I needed to know for data analysis and my research courses in psychology helped me learn how to think outside of the box and turn messy data into something that anyone can understand and learn from.

• How has your internship prepared you for a career?
  My experience as Blue Scholar has helped me enhance many skills needed in the work force, especially skills involving collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and using digital technologies.

• What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship?
  Find a position that interests you and use every opportunity to learn more about your field and try new things!

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