INTERNSHIP SPOTLIGHT

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<u>Graduation Semester & Year</u>: Spring 2026 <u>Semester & Year of Internship:</u> Summer 2025 Hometown: Stahlstown, PA

Major: Management/Finance

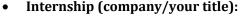
Minor: Accounting, Actuarial Sciences, Chemistry

Hobbies: Hiking, Biking, Swimming, Etc.

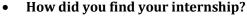
Campus Activities: Accounting/Business Club, Frederick Honors College (FHC)

Future Plans/Career Goals: Become a licensed CPA and work in

accounting/finance



Westmoreland-Fayette Workforce Investment Board (WFWIB)/Fiscal Operations Intern



I went to a job fair at the Westmoreland Live! Casino in Greensburg, and I spoke with the administrator of the Westmoreland PA CareerLink about finding a summer internship in accounting or finance. She got me in touch with people from the WFWIB who informed me about the internship position.

• What were your duties?

Organize Excel sheets to track budgets and expenses, request money from the state and federal government, assist with month-end processes, check invoices for accuracy, input journal entries, monitor participants of the Experience Works! Program, keep track of inventory, etc.

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

40 hours per week

What did you enjoy most about your internship?

I enjoyed the variety of different experiences and tasks I was able to help with and doing site visits with employers and participants in our Experience Works! Program. I also liked hanging out with my co-workers.

What was the most difficult aspect of the internship?

Having to get used to making phone calls with employers and people I don't know.

How did your experience at UPG and within your major prepare you for your internship?

I have several management and accounting professors who taught me the basics of accounting and finance which gave me a base understanding for my internship. Career Services also taught me the importance of internships as a whole, and they gave me practical tips to enhance my experience.

How has your internship prepared you for a career?

I was able to explore a potential career path in the accounting industry and gain hands-on experience.

What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship?

Use networking to your advantage. I've secured 3 internships through personal connections, networking, and talking to people in person. Also, take every opportunity you can to learn new things.

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