

INTERNSHIP SPOTLIGHT.

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Graduation Semester & Year: Fall 2022

Semester & Year of Internship: Spring 2022

Major: Accounting

Minor: N/A

Hobbies: Waitressing at Cracker Barrel and hunting

Campus Activities: Accounting and Business Club and Beta Gamma Sigma

Future Plans/Career Goals: My career goals include graduating in the fall of 2022 with 150 credits. Following graduation I plan on receiving my CPA license and beginning full time at an accounting firm.

Hometown: Ruffs Dale, PA

- **Internship (company/your title):**

Grant Thornton Intern

- **How did you find your internship?**

I discovered my internship through Professor Sharon Turchick. Sharon emailed my resume to a recruiter at Grant Thornton who then reached out to me regarding an internship.

- **What were your duties?**

My duties included working with several engagement teams to aid in the completeness of year end audits for public companies. Some of my daily duties included reviewing client provided documentation, completing inventory evaluations, requesting confirms, tying out financial statements, working within any of the modules of the audit, and much more.

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

40 hours a week of hybrid work

- **What did you enjoy most about your internship?**

What I enjoyed most about my internship was the opportunity to work with multiple engagement teams on multiple clients. This allowed me to see several perspectives of the audit and broaden my professional network.

- **What was the most difficult aspect of the internship?**

The most difficult part of the internship would be learning the testing for the different aspects of the financial statements. This varies extremely on a client by client basis along with the engagement team you are working with.

- **How did your experience at UPG and in the accounting department prepare you for your internship?**

My experience within the accounting department at UPG set the foundation for my knowledge of accounting. The accounting department at UPG also set me up for success by teaching me the skills to act as professional and build a professional network.

- **How has your internship prepared you for a career?**

This internship has allowed me gain experience working as an auditor with an engagement team. Not only has it prepared me in the aspects of learning the software systems and testing procedures, but it has also allowed me to develop a network of accounting professionals.

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

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I would recommend to other students looking to do an internship to begin networking and speaking to recruiters as soon as possible. Not only is maintaining good grades and being involved in the community important but developing a network of professionals can make you stand out among other students.

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