## **INTERNSHIP SPOTLIGHT**

## **Robert Rider**

<u>Graduation Semester & Year</u>: Spring 2020 <u>Semester & Year of Internship:</u> Summer 2020 <u>Major</u>: Criminal Justice <u>Minor</u>: Spanish

<u>Hometown</u>: Uniontown, PA



<u>Hobbies</u>: Collecting police patches, videogames, spending time with friends <u>Campus Activities</u>: CJ Club, RSC, Phi Eta Sigma, Spanish Club, BBBS <u>Future Plans/Career Goals:</u> Going into Law Enforcement

- Internship (company/your title): Uniontown City Police Department/Intern
- How did you find your internship? Knowing that the department has had interns in the past
- What were your duties? Job shadowing patrols, submitting documents, assisting on calls, securing evidence
- How many hours per week were you at your internship site? 26 30
- What did you enjoy most about your internship? Learning a lot about the career as a police officer
- What was the most difficult aspect of the internship? Not letting emotions get the best of me when dealing with difficult calls
- How did your experience at UPG and in the Uniontown City Police/Criminal Justice department prepare you for your internship?

All three departments helped me set meetings with them in order to make sure I was set for the internship. They all communicated very well. Career Services helped me a lot by letting me know about the summer Work Experience Program offered through the Workforce Investment Board.

• How has your internship prepared you for a career?

It prepared me by showing the career of a police officer and what his or her duties are. The internship helped me be more prepared for my future and helped me determine whether or not I wanted to go into this career.

• What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship? Be the best version of yourself. Do not fake anything because if you want to be with that job in the future, they need to know how you really are to see if it is the right career for you.

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