



ENTREPRENEURIAL ACCELERATOR PROGRAM

Internship Program for MBA and Business Students 2016

Shreveport, Louisiana

The Biomedical Research Foundation Entrepreneurial Accelerator Program (EAP) is offering MBA and undergraduate business students the opportunity to receive comprehensive training and experience in a real-world environment by seeking solutions for startup companies. EAP, an economic development initiative of the Biomedical Research Foundation of Northwest Louisiana, provides the services and resources to support the creation of the innovation ecosystem in northwest Louisiana. In conjunction with the formation of the EAP, the BRF is the manager of a separate entity, the New Louisiana Angel Fund 1, LLC (NLAF), which provides funding to selected qualified startup companies that have a presence in northwest Louisiana. The purpose of both EAP and NLAF is to cultivate and invest in promising high-growth startup companies with the goal of nurturing successful enterprises.

The EAP Internship Program benefits the universities and students in the region by providing a unique learning experience that deals directly with the people, the techniques, and the processes that occur in the business world and provides important skills and understanding that extend beyond the classroom. The EAP program is enhanced by increasing the quality of talent in the region's entrepreneurial arena.

EAP Internship Program interns will become immersed in working on projects with portfolio companies by

- Creating or refining business plans and products,
- Assessing and screening opportunities,
- Conducting financial analysis and modeling,
- Participating in market analysis of company attributes,
- Conducting market and industry research,
- Assisting with funding applications,
- Working with a mentor and at least one portfolio company, and
- Participating in angel funding presentations.

Program Description

- Duration: Summer 2016- ten (10) weeks (full-time), starting mid-May through August 1
- Potential option to continue internship throughout 2016-2017 school year
- Work will take place in Shreveport, LA
- Stipends available
- Receive course credits according to university or institution policies

Qualifications for the Program

- Must be a candidate in good standing for a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree, preferably with an Entrepreneurial concentration, or an undergraduate in Business, preferably with a focus in Entrepreneurship. Preferences will be given to MBA or upper class undergraduates with entrepreneurship coursework. All interns must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- Must have strong financial analytical skills and knowledge, and be proficient in Microsoft PowerPoint, Excel, and Word.
- Must be a legal resident of Louisiana and express an interest in staying in Louisiana after graduation.
- Must be willing to work and perform duties in Shreveport, and be responsible for making own housing and transportation arrangements.

Application timeline

- Application deadline: Applications will be accepted from September 1, 2015 until 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2016
- Notification of acceptance: Friday, April 1, 2016

Application Procedure: Please provide

- a curriculum vitae or résumé with applicant's contact information,
- a list of coursework and grades (no transcripts needed),
- a cover letter describing the applicant's relevant interests and career goals, and
- a letter of recommendation from the Dean of the College of Business that includes whether the internship qualifies for course credit.

Incomplete applications may not be considered.

For questions, please contact:

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March 1, 2016, 11:59 p.m. Central Time**

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