

Reference Letter of Experience

To Whom It May Concern:

I participated in the College Works Internship as a freshman from the University of California Riverside. My reason for joining the program was the fact that up to that point I had no real world experience and believed leadership was that which was derived from high school sports and student body leadership. In the time with the program I learned there is more to leadership than that. In addition I had a chance to apply the fundamental teachings of the classrooms in a hands on atmosphere. In my eyes the hands on experience of running your own business teaches essential everyday skills that cannot just be taught in a classroom. It helped me to step outside of my comfort zone and learn how to work with the various personalities that exist in the real world. One of the plans for the year that my DM and I went over at the beginning was the idea of personal growth. This personal growth led me to be more confident, decisive and goal oriented. As well as teaching me how to deal with the various curveballs that have the possibility to arise in life. Balancing the different aspects of my life made my experience more fulfilling due to the fact that I learned how to participate in all or most of the activities that arose during the year.

I would recommend the College Works Internship to any student looking to further build their resumes, applications, and most of all their personal growth in life.

Sincerely,

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