

Christoph,

I was cleaning out my comp and I found this letter that I wrote back in July when Sean sent that message on mymsg. I didn't really know what yall were looking for, but I wrote somethin anyway. If anything maybe it can help yall out. I don't have word on my comp so i'm gonna pull some old school copy paste action. k bye!

The CWP program definitely exceeded any expectations I had for an internship starting out. I knew it would be hard, challenging- basically whatever they tell you during training. But those are words and phrases, and talk is cheap. The actual experience is what's worth anything. I'm sure every intern has a unique experience these six months, but the general idea is the same: you improve. It's inescapable, and you improve however you want to improve. There are things about yourself that you want to change, things that some people won't admit even to themselves but keep in the back of their mind reluctantly. College Works is simply a venue for that change. Laziness, organization, whatever. If you want to be better with money, learn how to be assertive and respected, push yourself, improve conversations by knowing how to direct them, or just be a badass, I don't know if there's a better program out there for all of those things. My initial motivation was a fear of commitment. It's a common problem, but it has always kept me from finishing something out to the end- whenever something isn't all fun and games and gets difficult I quit, and I admit it. I knew it's cowardly and stupid, so I wanted to fix myself while I'm still young. For my first real commitment, College Works was a really intense one, but it has definitely worked. I feel like I can do pretty much anything now and challenges don't scare me away. If there's one thing I learned from these six months, it's that there's a solution to every problem. They say that College Works brainwashes you, which is actually really true. It becomes a way of mind and it's with you in any situation you find yourself. On a resume it's a six month paid internship, but I think you stay a College Works intern for a long time after that, as corny as that sounds. Again, talk is cheap, and it's better to figure it out for yourself.