



## Student Projects and Internships

*A win-win for students and local businesses.*

1. Business owners meet with a team of students to familiarize them with their business and the area they wish to see addressed for the project.
2. Research is completed and recommendations are made.
3. The students learn and the businesses benefit by having a specialized project developed for them.
4. Student projects are at no cost to the business.
5. The SBDC obtains a Student Project Request from the business.
6. The instructor obtains a Confidentiality Agreement from each student and a log of hours.
7. Presentations and written reports are usually a part of the project.
8. Occasionally, a business is looking for a student to complete a specific project for them.
9. College students may be able to receive college credits for an internship.
10. The SBDC can help connect businesses to the internship program.
11. Paid internships are more likely to attract students with higher skill levels.
12. Unpaid internships are not recommended by the SBDC:  
<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/fact-sheets/71-flsa-internships>
13. Contact your consultant for more information.
14. Student Projects are coordinated by the SBDC between course instructors and business clients.

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