Incomplete List of Internship Hosts Steps in setting up your internship (start early):

1. Internship course credit (MC 481) is reserved for senior Mass Comm majors only. If you wish to do an internship before you're a senior, talk to the Internship Coordinator.

2. Read the internship FAQ found on our website www.siue.edu/MASSCOMM. On this same website, download a copy of the latest MC 481 syllabus so you know what's required.

3. You can intern almost anywhere (company and/or location) as long as it meets the requirements: the internship is Mass Comm related, you're able to get 175 hours, and your supervisor has experience in the subject area you're interning in.

For example, if you're doing a video internship, your supervisor must have video experience. This is so that 1) you'll be able to learn from this person, and 2) this person will be able to evaluate your performance. An example of something that would NOT work would be if a local business wanted a video intern to produce videos because no one at the business had video experience. This would not count for an internship.

4. Think about the kind of place you may want to work (or even the specific companies). Look into getting an internship at that company or a company within that specific industry. A Google search will quickly give you a list of companies in the area ("ad agencies in St. Louis," for example). Start making a list of possible places, contacts, and what the application requirements are (if any).

Something to think about... try to find out what kinds of things you'll be responsible for and what you'll actually get to do. Keep in mind what you want to get out of the internship. For example, often (not always) at larger ad agencies, interns don't get to create a lot of their own work. It's more about observing and assisting. This can be a great introduction to working in an agency (and a great way to make contacts). However, you may not be able to take much away in terms of work you can use in a portfolio. If you already have plenty of portfolio quality work, this won't be a problem and getting the agency experience could be exactly what you need. On the other hand, working at a smaller place (like a local chamber of commerce), you'll often be in charge of creating a lot of things on your own. Being able to include work that was actually used (rather than just created for class) can really enhance your portfolio. So keep these kinds of things in mind when looking for an internship.

5. Take a look at the places listed below. While not a comprehensive list, these are places we've had interns in the past, and they are likely to have internship positions.

Also keep in mind that a lot of non-communications companies often have communications-related departments (hospitals, banks, universities, non-profit organizations, etc.). So even though your hometown doesn't have an ad agency, it may have several businesses with internal communications departments where you could intern. Some companies (typically the larger ones) are used to having interns and will have a fairly organized internship program. Others will have a less formal program. And some places you contact may have never had an intern. This doesn't mean you can't intern there, it just means you and the company will need to work out what it is you want from the experience and whether or not they're willing to provide that.

6. Be sure to talk to classmates about where they've interned and what their experiences were. If you're looking into a company listed below, I may have an Internship Review Letter from a previous student. If you want to see what a peer has to say about that particular place, let me know.

7. Start contacting your top choices. Don't go overboard and contact too many at once though. While doing your research you should have found out what the process is for each place. Some places have a very regimented internship program with application deadlines and so forth. Others are much more relaxed. Just don't miss an opportunity because you didn't know when an application was due.

On a related note, internships don't always coincide with our semester. It is fine to take an Incomplete and finish your 175 hours during a break or into the following semester if your internship doesn't start soon enough in the current semester.

8. Follow up with your top choices until you get an answer. If their answer is "yes," fill out the **Internship Data Sheet** and the **Off-Campus Student Participation Application**. Both are found on the department website (under the Internship tab). Then give them to the Internship Coordinator. He'll approve your internship and remove the block on Cougarnet so you can register for MC 481, Internship/Senior Portfolio, which is a controlled enrollment course. The Coordinator will also write your internship supervisor a letter of confirmation. If the answer from your first choice is "no," contact your second choice and so on.

9. Tip: START EARLY! The best internships – especially the paid ones -- are taken quickly. Start working on a Spring internship in the fall, a Summer internship in the spring, and a Fall internship in early summer. However, don't be surprised if companies don't start looking for interns until that semester is underway. It's fine to add the internship class late into the semester. Also, there's no limit on the class, so don't worry about it filling up.

The internships below are just examples of places our students have interned in the past. Your internship does NOT have to be with one of the companies listed below.

Besides Googling, you can also check sites like LinkedIn and Indeed.com for internships.

This document and the Internship FAQ can be found on the department website under the Internship tab: www.siue.edu/MASSCOMM.

Advertising, Marketing, Public Relations, Corporate Communications

A great place to look for internships is the St. Louis Ad Club's website: adclubstl.org

Advertising Savants

St. Louis; ad agency www.adsavants.com

Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau

Alton, IL; PR, marketing http://www.visitalton.com

Anderson Hospital Dept. of Community Relations And Development Maryville, IL; PR andersonhospital.org

ARCO National Construction St. Louis; marketing https://www.arconational.com

BJC Health Care Media Services St. Louis; video, PR, marketing https://www.bjccareers.org

Big Stu Media & Marketing

Valmeyer, IL; marketing https://www.facebook.com/bigstumedia/

Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site

Collinsville, IL; PR, marketing http://cahokiamounds.org

Creative Producers Group St. Louis; advertising, PR, event planning, interactive https://cpgagency.com

Dovetail St. Louis; advertising http://www.dovetail-stl.com/

C. Green & Associates Edwardsville; communications, PR https://cgreenassoc.com

Marketcity Waterloo, IL; marketing http://marketicity.com

Gateway Grizzlies

Sauget, IL; PR, marketing for minor league baseball team http://www.gatewaygrizzlies.com

O'Fallon Hoots

O'Fallon, MO; promotions, marketing https://ofallonhoots.com

HLK

St. Louis; advertising, PR, marketing http://hlkagency.com

Patriot Sunrooms

Edwardsville, IL; marketing, sales https://www.patriotsunrooms.com

The Inland Group

Edwardsville, IL; design http://inlandesign.com

The Magic House/St. Louis Children's Museum St. Louis; PR, marketing https://www.magichouse.org

St. Louis Children's Hospital Foundation

St. Louis; PR, marketing/fundraising https://www.stlouischildrens.org/giving

Nestle Purina Co.

St. Louis; PR https://www.purina.com

Kuhl/Swaine

St. Louis; advertising http://kuhlswaine.com

Regional Arts Commission (RAC) of St. Louis

St. Louis; PR, marketing https://racstl.org

Rodgers Townsend Advertising

St. Louis; advertising agency https://rodgerstownsend.com

St. Anthony's Health Center

Alton, IL; community relations https://www.osfhealthcare.org/saint-anthonys/

St. Louis Digital Media

St. Louis, marketing https://www.stlouisdigitalmedia.com

Runwell

Edwardsville; marketing, communications https://shop.wheredoyourunwell.com/content/about-us

St. Louis Cardinals

St. Louis; PR, marketing https://www.mlb.com/cardinals/team/jobs

St. Louis Blues

St. Louis; PR, marketing https://www.nhl.com/blues

St. Louis Psychoanalytic Institute St. Louis; PR

https://www.stlpi.org

Susan G Komen

St. Louis; marketing https://www.komen.org/community/missouri/

Think Tank Public Relations & Marketing

St. Louis; PR, marketing http://www.thinktankprm.com/

United Way of St. Louis

St. Louis; PR, marketing stl.unitedway.org

Wells Fargo

St. Louis; media production https://www.wellsfargojobs.com/en/

Ameren/UE

St. Louis; PR, marketing https://ameren.com/careers

Anheuser-Busch

St. Louis; PR, marketing https://www.anheuser-busch.com/careers/

(Belleville) Memorial Hospital Belleville, IL; PR https://www.memhosp.com

Collinsville Chamber of Commerce Collinsville, IL; PR, marketing communications http://www.discovercollinsville.com

Downtown St. Louis Partnership

St. Louis; Advertising, marketing http://www.downtownstl.org

Laclede's Landing Merchants Association St. Louis; PR; marketing http://lacledeslanding.com

Missouri Baptist Medical Center St. Louis; PR http://www.missouribaptist.org

Center of Creative Arts St. Louis St. Louis; PR; marketing http://www.cocastl.org

Opera Theatre of St. Louis St. Louis; PR, marketing https://www.opera-stl.org

Porter Novelli Chicago; PR http://www.porternovelli.com

Repertory Theatre of St. Louis St. Louis; PR, marketing http://www.repstl.org

Southwestern Illinois College Belleville, IL; PR, marketing

https://www.swic.edu

St. Elizabeth's Hospital

Belleville, Il; PR, marketing steliz.org

St. Louis Convention and Visitors Commission St. Louis; PR, marketing explorestlouis.com

St. Louis Science Center St. Louis; PR, marketing, graphics and web design slsc.org

Troy-Maryville Chamber of Commerce Troy, IL; PR, marketing http://troycoc.com

Chemistry Multimedia

St. Louis; advertising, marketing, PR, branding http://www.chemistrymultimedia.com/

Woods Basement Systems

Collinsville, IL; advertising, marketing http://www.woodsbasementsystems.com

Staples Promotional Products

St. Louis; advertising, promotions http://www.staplespromotionalproducts.com

Cork Tree Creative

Edwardsville, IL; advertising, PR, web design http://www.corktreecreative.com

Scott Air Force Base Shiloh, IL; public affairs (PR)

http://www.scott.af.mil

Senior Services Plus Alton, IL; advertising, PR http://seniorservicesplus.org

Slam! Agency

St. Louis; advertising, video http://slamagency.com

Socially Inspired

St. Louis; social media https://www.sociallyinspired.com

St. Louis County Parks and Rec

St. Louis; advertising, promotions http://www.stlouisco.com/parksandrecreation

Glick's

Granite City, IL; advertising, promotions http://www.gliks.com

St. Louis Football Club St. Louis; advertising, promotions https://www.stlcitysc.com

St. Louis Symphony St. Louis; advertising, PR https://slso.org

Eventiv

St. Louis; event planning, promotions http://www.evntiv.net

Red Cross STL

St. Louis; advertising, PR http://www.redcross.org/local/missouri/eastern-missouri

Ballpark Village

St. Louis; advertising, promotions http://www.stlballparkvillage.com

Foppe Visual Communications

Highland; graphic design, promotions https://foppevisual.com

GCS Credit Union

Edwardsville, IL; advertising, promotions https://www.mygcscu.com

Olin Corporation

Clayton, MO (Alton, IL); advertising http://www.olin.com

Good Earth Tools

Crystal City, MO; communications http://www.goodearthtools.com

Girl Scouts of So. IL

Glen Carbon, IL; PR, communications http://www.gsofsi.org

FCB Banks

Edwardsville, IL; advertising, promotions http://www.fcbbanks.com

The Hauser Group

St. Louis; PR http://www.hausergrouppr.com

Cardinal Glennon Hospital

St. Louis, MO; advertising, marketing http://www.cardinalglennon.com/

Argosy Casino

Alton, IL; advertising, promotions http://www.argosyalton.com

Hollywood Casino

St. Louis; advertising, promotions https://www.hollywoodcasinostlouis.com

LeafGuard

Maryland Heights, MO; advertising, promotions https://www.leafguard.com

Lupus Foundation of America

St. Louis; advertising, promotions, PR http://www.lupus.org

Urban Strategies

St. Louis; marketing https://www.urbanstrategiesinc.org/about/

Drive Social Media

St. Louis; social media, branding http://drivesocialnow.com

Edison's

Edwardsville; social media, advertising https://edisonsfun.com

BAM

St. Louis; marketing https://www.bammarketingagency.com

Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois

Edwardsville; marketing, advertising, communications http://www.leadershipcouncilswil.com

Belleville Chamber of Commerce Belleville; Marketing, advertising, communications http://bellevillechamber.org

Missouri Historical Society St. Louis; marketing https://mohistory.org/society

Blayzer Digital St. Louis; advertising https://www.blayzer.com

Sivia Law

Edwardsville; marketing, PR https://www.sivialaw.com

Technow Solutions

Breese, IL; graphic design, marketing https://techknowsolutions.com

Gateway Region YMCA

St. Louis, marketing, PR https://gwrymca.org

NAMI – National Alliance of Mental Illness St. Louis; marketing, PR https://nami.org/Home

MayCo Branding Online https://www.maycobranding.com

Goshen Theater Project Collinsville; marketing/video https://www.goshentheatreproject.org

Refuge4Kids Wood River; marketing https://refuge4kids.org

St. Louis Public Schools St. Louis; marketing https://www.slps.org

Best Buddies Affton, MO; marketing https://www.bestbuddies.org/missouri/

O'Shea Builders Springfield, IL; marketing https://osheabuilders.com

Schnuck's St, Louis; marketing https://schnucks.com

WSIE Edwardsville; marketing https://www.siue.edu/wsie/

Contemporary Productions Clayton, MO; event planning https://contemporaryproductions.com

Heartlands Conservancy Belleville; marketing/social media https://heartlandsconservancy.org

Staples Remote; marketing https://www.staples.com

Bank and Trust Litchfield, IL; marketing https://banktr.com

Television Stations & Networks, Cable TV and others

Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Foundation

Hollywood, CA; production and much more! https://www.emmys.com/foundation/internships

City of Florissant, City Cable 10

Florissant, MO; city cable production http://tv.florissantmo.com/Cablecast/Public/main.aspx?ChannelID=1

HEC-TV

St. Louis; educational TV production hectv.org

KETC-TV-9 St. Louis; public tV program/documentary production ketc.org

KPLR-TV-11 and KTVI-2

St. Louis; all departments (joint operating agreement) http://fox2now.com

Nine PBS St. Louis; TV production https://www.ninepbs.org

STL TV St. Louis; city cable production https://stltv.net

Bally Sports Midwest St. Louis; sports production https://edyy.fa.us2.oraclecloud.com/hcmUI/CandidateExperience/en/sites/CX_20 02

KMOV-TV-4 St. Louis; all departments kmov.com

KSDK-TV-5 St. Louis; all departments ksdk.com

WICS-TV-20 Springfield, IL; all departments, especially news wics.com

TV, Film Production Companies, Post Houses, Corporate Video

Wells Fargo

St. Louis; media production https://www.wellsfargojobs.com/en/ready-to-work-with-us/

The Abacus Group

Maryville, IL; video production agstl.com

Spot Content Studio St. Louis; video production https://www.spot.studio

Switzerfilm

Kirkwood, MO; high-end wedding videos and various other productions https://www.switzerfilm.com

Arbor Group St. Louis; video production arborgroup.com

Avatar Studios St. Louis; video production avatar-studios.com

Coolfire Media St. Louis; video production and more http://www.coolfire.com/studios

Silverback Video St. Louis; video production http://silverbackvideo.com

Smith Lee Productions St. Louis; audio & video production & post production smithlee.com **Circa 87** Belleville, IL; film/TV production http://www.circa87.com

Vidzu Media

St. Louis; video production http://www.vidzu.com

Worldwide Technology Raceway

Madison, IL; video, promotions https://wwtraceway.com

Riverbender.com

Alton, IL; video production https://www.riverbender.com

Once Films

St. Louis; video production http://www.oncefilms.com

Crowdson Creative Media Production

Springfield; video production http://www.imaketv.com

Creative Producers Group

St. Louis; video production http://cpgagency.com

Metro Community Church

Edwardsville; video production https://www.metrocommunitychurch.com

Solstice Productions

St. Louis; video production https://solsticeproductionsvideo.com

The Fource Group O'Fallon, IL; video production https://thefourcegroup.com

First Baptist Maryville Maryville, IL; video production https://fbmaryville.org

Whole Street Productions Bethalto, IL; video production https://www.wholestreetproductions.com/about

Actuality Abroad Orlando, FL; video production (abroad) https://www.actualityabroad.org

Radio Stations and Audio Production

Crawford Media Group https://crawfordmediagroup.net

Hubbard Radio hubbardradio.com

ESPN101 101sports.com

Emmis Communications St. Louis KFTK-FM, KIHT-FM, KPNT-FM & KSHE-FM http://www.emmis.com/careers/internships/

KMOX-1120 St. Louis; news-talk radio kmox.com

Clear Channel Radio Stations KSLZ-107.7 FM; KATZ-100.3 FM; KMJM-104.9; KSD-93.7; KLOU-103.3; KATZ-1600 AM clearchannel.com

KFNS-590 "The Fan" AM sports radio https://590thefan.com

KTRS-550 talk, news, sports ktrs.com

Smith Lee Productions St. Louis; audio production & post production smithlee.com

WBGZ-1570 Alton, IL; talk, news, sports wbgzradio.com

WMAY-970, WNNS-99, and WQLZ-92.7 Springfield, IL; classic hits, news/talk, and rock wmay.com; wnns.com; wqlz.com

WCRC-FM

Effingham, IL; Cromwell Radio Group wcrc957.com

KDHX Community Radio St. Louis; radio, web production http://kdhx.org

MindsEye Radio

Belleville, IL; radio broadcasting http://www.mindseyeradio.org

WMIX

Mt. Vernon, IL; radio broadcasting http://www.wmix94.com

Miller Media Group

Taylorville, IL; radio broadcasting http://www.randyradio.com/corp/

WDLJ

Breese, IL; radio broadcasting https://wdlj.wordpress.com

HOT 104.1

St. Louis; radio broadcasting https://hot1041stl.com

WLDS

Jacksonville, IL; radio broadcasting https://wlds.com

Big Z Media

Alton, IL; radio broadcasting, advertising https://www.bigz.media

WSIE

Edwardsville; radio broadcasting https://www.siue.edu/wsie/

Shock City Studios St. Louis; audio production https://www.shockcitystudios.com

The Real Monica Adams Podcast

Richmond Heights, MO; audio production https://www.therealmonicaadams.com

Ironman Sound Industries

Maplewood, MO; audio production/live events https://www.facebook.com/IronmanSoundIndustries/

Newspaper (and web newspaper) Reporting, Photojournalism and Magazine Writing

Alive Magazine St. Louis; magazine alivemag.com

Belleville News-Democrat

Belleville, IL; general assignment reporting, layout, photo-j., advertising bnd.com

Inside STL St. Louis; web news/feature site insideSTL.com

Alton Telegraph Alton, IL; general assignment reporting, copy desk thetelegraph.com

Chicago Tribune Chicago; general assignment reporting chicagotribune.com

Edwardsville Intelligencer Edwardsville; general assignment reporting, ad layout/design www.theintelligencer.com

River Front Times St. Louis; alternative news weekly https://www.riverfronttimes.com

St. Louis Post-Dispatch (paid internships also available) St. Louis; all departments stltoday.com

O'Fallon Weekly O'Fallon, IL; news http://www.ofallonweekly.com

Riverbender.com Alton, IL; news, video production https://www.riverbender.com **St. Louis Magazine** St. Louis; reporting https://www.stlmag.com

Advantage News

Alton, IL; reporting http://advantagenews.com

Breese Journal

Breese, IL; reporting https://www.thebreesejournal.com

Sauce Magazine

St. Louis, reporting, photography https://www.saucemagazine.com

Collinsville Daily News

Collinsville, IL https://www.collinsvilledailynews.com