Pharmacy Technology Clean Room is Ready for Student Use!

With many efforts to accomplish the goal of obtaining the Clean Room from Santa Ana College faculty, staff, management, and district personnel, it is now available to train our Pharmacy Technology students and prepare them for the workforce!
Santa Ana College is collaborating with other Orange County Community Colleges to advertise Career Education programs on billboards, buses, and online. Students can do any of the following:

- Discover various career pathways based on their interests
- Browse through different programs and community colleges
- Access Live Chat for assistance
- Learn about financial aid, employers, resources, and many more tools for success!

Please check out the website for more information: https://futurebuilt.org/
Career Education Internship Success Story

The internship experience was and continues to be valuable to my career pathway. When I started the Internship Program, I was 19 years old without any office experience. I had worked at minimum wage paying jobs but none of those jobs applied to the career field I wanted to pursue. This internship program was a great way for me to get my foot in the door at a law office.

Through my internship, I now have experience in the field that will help me along my career path. I started my internship with the Legal Aid Society of Orange County (LASOC). Starting at LASOC, I shadowed the paralegals until I felt confident and ready to start on my own. Since starting my internship, I have been fortunate enough to learn about several areas of law. Almost every case at LASOC is different, so I am able to see how the law applies to each specific case with different individual facts.

The internship program also taught me important soft skills. The program has made me learn quickly how to manage my time, a valuable yet challenging skill. Since starting this program, I have been able to financially support myself as well as help my family. Just recently, I was offered a full-time paid position with benefits! I am confident this internship will open up doors for me in the future!

Undocu-Scholar's Program Student Assistant Shows His Support!

When I first immigrated to the United States 9 years ago from Vietnam, I experienced many personal, academic, and financial obstacles. I was a very shy person, speaking little to no English. Through several Vietnamese community service programs, I realized I was not alone; I found others who I can relate to, particularly the struggles of other immigrants and first-generation college students. I have changed the way I think and have become more open to people and their needs. In order to motivate myself, I usually think about my future rather than look back at the past. To better adapt to another environment and culture, I practice speaking English with a native speaker. I have the potential to overcome more challenges ahead of me in the future, especially in learning about the language of medicine.

I have enrolled and participated in three internships: Paralegal Student’s Intern at Legal Aid Society of Orange County, Medical Assistant’s Intern with Dr. Angie Sadeghi (GI Specialist/Gastroenterology), and as a Student Assistant for the Undocu-Scholar’s Program at Santa Ana College. Through these internships, I established a good connection between the employer and myself, managed my time and schedule, stayed disciplined, learned about project management and other useful skills for future career and practice in medicine. Throughout all of these internships, I have learned so much about myself and never expected to accomplish all of these goals. However, these internships showed me that I have the ability to do it. These experiences helped me to become much more mature and to look at the world differently.

“As a student assistant for Undocu-Scholar’s Program and an aspiring future entrepreneurial physician, I believe in an individual’s access to health care, education, and justice. They are basic human rights regardless of a person’s social background or immigration status. Therefore, I will make education accessible to all the students at Santa Ana College.”
Faculty and staff collaborate and give examples of how their daily work changes the lives of students here at SAC.

As you can see, we are already practicing some of the Guided Pathways Pillars.

"As a Career Technician, my core purpose is to educate and empower students through job search, employment preparation workshops, volunteer opportunities and assist our students in preparing for career success in the global workforce."

Aurea Gandarilla

"As the SAC Internship Coordinator, I coach & prepare students for internships. This is a student's chance to experience their future. These work based learning experiences elevate students to the next level of their careers/education."

Theresa Hagelbarger

"Story is the essence of everything in TV & Video Communications. Whether it's news, film, documentary, or webisodes, our students learn the technical tools they need to go into the workforce and tell their stories."

Michael Taylor

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