VCU Career Services How to Fund an Internship in 2025

A beginners guide on how to finance an Internship for students

Click the highlighted sections to find more internship funding resources.

- Figure out if you're eligible to apply for the <u>VCU</u>
 <u>Internship Funding Program</u>
 - Requirements: must be a VCU undergraduate, not graduating senior or past IFP award winner.
 - Be in good academic standing the semester before the internship and prove the internship is outside of VCU.
 - The internship must be unpaid or underpaid based on applicable expenses.
- Apply by submitting an application through the <u>VCU</u> <u>Scholarship HUB</u>
 - Remember to complete a <u>Budget Worksheet</u> and answer supplement questions.

VCU Internship Funding Program

The VCU Internship Funding Program helps fund student's supplement costs for travel, housing, childcare, and supplies for your Summer internship.

In **2024**, the program awarded **88 students** a total of **\$286,000** to engage in transformational internships. Learn more about VCU's Internship Funding Program <u>here</u>.



Internship Funding Options

- 1. Check out the VCU Scholarship HUB for to apply for scholarships.
 - Visit Career Services in the Student Commons to have career advisors to look over your supplements before submitting applications.
 - Appointments available between 8 am 5pm Mondays through Friday.
- 2. If applicable, **contact your employer** to see if additional funds are available, although not guaranteed, to support you in your internships.
- Reach out to <u>VCU Financial Success Center by Virginia Credit Union/The</u> <u>Money Spot</u> to discuss how best to budget for your internship.
- 4. Review <u>the VCU Division of Student Affairs Student Emergency Fund</u> eligible expenses, also available to support financial needs.
- 5. Locate university or low-cost housing at <u>VCU</u> and other cities, as shown on <u>The Intern Housing Hub</u>.
- 6. Visit the Suit Yourself Closet through VCU Career Services (located in both the University Student Commons and Hunton Student Center), offering free, gently used professional clothing and styling services to VCU students. Visit the Suit Yourself Closet page for scheduling information.

Professional Closet Funding Options

- Suit Yourself Closet
 - Each student is allowed up to 6 free items a month!
- RVA Clothing Thrift Stores, Tailors, & Cleaners

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- · Intern Housing Hub
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 Affairs Student Emergency
 Fund Office Of Student
 Advocacy Virginia
 Commonwealth University
- VCU Financial Success
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