

# THE FARRELL CENTER "EXPERIENCESHIP" PROGRAM



**PennState**  
Smeal College of Business

Farrell Center for Corporate  
Innovation and Entrepreneurship

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Experienceship Program is an internship program for rising third and fourth year Smeal College of Business students with interest in corporate innovation & entrepreneurship.

The Experienceship program:

- supports economic development in Pennsylvania,
- instills a culture of entrepreneurship and corporate innovation,
- builds a stronger entrepreneurial ecosystem across the University and Commonwealth,
- harnesses the entrepreneurial skills and capabilities of Smeal students, and
- bolsters the development of these Pennsylvania ventures.

Thanks in part to generous gifts from the Doug and Leila Leech family and Robert Griffin, students will benefit by obtaining real-world experience in small, growing businesses, finding new networking opportunities, developing professionally, and leveraging opportunities to apply what they know.

## PENNSYLVANIA STARTUPS & SMALL COMPANIES:

- Companies eligible for student placement should have under 150 employees and be located in Pennsylvania. Companies with over 150 employees may be considered, depending on budget constraints
- Responsibilities should ensure a robust and engaging experience for the student in a startup/small company
- Interested companies must apply via the Nittany Lion Careers (NLC) portal at <https://nittanylioncareers.psu.edu/>, and must use the key word "Experienceship" in the job title
- Company applications will be vetted by the faculty and staff of the Farrell Center to ensure a good fit between company and students
- Please indicate in the description if this is a remote position

## RISING SMEAL 3RD AND 4TH YEAR STUDENTS:

- Students must apply through the NLC portal at <https://nittanylioncareers.psu.edu/> to be considered
- Use the search term "Experienceship" to filter eligible positions
- Once selected, the student must submit form to the Farrell Center to be eligible for program funds
- Students paid in two installments: end of May and August

## PROGRAM SUMMARY

- Provides experiential internships for Smeal students
- Places skilled Smeal students in PA startups and small businesses
- Students will receive \$4500 for their participation over the summer (approx. 10 weeks, 30 hrs./wk.), thanks to the Farrell Center, the Doug and Leila Leech family, and Robert Griffin
- Interested students and companies must apply through Nittany Lion Careers portal at <https://nittanylioncareers.psu.edu/>
- Student fellowship stipends are issued via the University's vendor payment process upon confirmation of selection

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Company job posting deadline:
  - Phase I: November 15
  - Phase II: February 15
- Student application deadline:
  - Phase I: December 15
  - Phase II: April 1
- Student Subsidization Request deadline: May 1

## MORE INFORMATION AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

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