San Diego Regional Water / Wastewater Internship Program

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($13/hour)
Internship Overview

The San Diego Regional Water and Wastewater Internship Program provides students enrolled in water technology courses with on-the-job paid training and exposure to career opportunities.

Careers in this field are not hard to find, as the industry is experiencing an increased demand for qualified staff. Working in this industry helps make a positive difference in the local environment and community.

A select number of students are selected each year to rotate through four different 8-week career experience modules: System Maintenance, System Operations, Water Treatment and Wastewater Treatment. Completion of the program provides students with the necessary knowledge and training to apply for state water and wastewater certification exams.

The Application & Selection Process

Submit an online application, statement of interest, and supplemental questionnaire during the annual application window. The application window for the 2019-2020 program year is April 30, 2019 through May 31, 2019. Applications will be screened by a panel of mentors and a select number of candidates will be invited to a panel interview.

If selected for an interview, PREPARE! Be ready to tell the panel why you want to work in the water industry, what sets you apart from other applicants, and what other skills you have to offer.

If selected for placement, you will be required to provide proof of a valid California driver’s license and the ability to maintain insurability under each agency’s vehicle insurance policy, undergo a background check, drug screen and physical, and provide the required employment authorization documentation.

Enroll in the Fall semester/quarter at Palomar College or Cuyamaca College. Interns must maintain a “C” or better in college coursework to remain eligible for the program.

BEGIN YOUR INTERNSHIP! Interns are asked to commit to a maximum 27-hour workweek for approximately 33 weeks. Placements are made throughout the County, so you may be placed at agencies in North, South, and East county over the course of your internship.

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