

Student Internship Assessment Survey

1. What is(are) your major(s)?
2. Minor(s)?
3. How many credits have you earned to date (not including credits this term)?
4. What was the “job title” of your internship?
5. Have you completed an **internship prior to this term** (i.e. for credit or not)?
6. Is your internship, **directly** related to sustainability or related topic (i.e. natural resource conservation/monitoring, hazard mapping, risk assessment and reduction, land use policy, etc.)?
Yes No Don't Know
7. If not directly related, **are there elements of the internship that indirectly relate** to sustainability, natural resource conservation, risk assessment and reduction, etc.?
Yes No Don't Know
8. What was the **inspiration** for getting this specific internship? (Select all that apply)
 - a. I have always been interested in this career field.
 - b. I was inspired by my college-level course work and decided to explore it more fully.
 - c. I was inspired by social media or other external factors while in college.
 - d. I was inspired by a field trip or a service-learning experience.
 - e. I was inspired after attending an on campus activity (guest lecturer, career day, etc.)
 - f. I think hands-on learning is more rewarding than course work, so I chose the internship.
 - g. I was asked/encouraged to take the internship by a fellow student.
 - h. I was asked/encouraged to take the internship by a faculty/staff member.
 - i. Other:
9. Which of the following describes the **nature of the work** for this internship:
 - a. Internship was **independent** and I worked individually on most to all tasks.
 - b. Internship was **independent**, but I did collaborate some with an internship supervisor.
 - c. Internship was **collaborative** and I worked **with other interns**/students.
 - d. Internship was **collaborative** and I worked **with other non-student employees**.
 - e. Internship was **collaborative** and I worked **with a high level mentor**.
10. Rank the degree to which you agree with this statement: I had adequate **financial support** necessary to complete the internship without difficulty.
1 (strongly agree with this statement) to 5 (strongly disagree with this statement)
11. To what degree did you have the **physical resources** (labs, equipment, computer access, software, work space, etc.) necessary to complete assigned tasks through the internship?
 - a. I had everything that I needed to complete the internship without difficulty.
 - b. I had most resources necessary to complete the internship without difficulty.

- c. I had a limited number of resources, but was able to problem solve and find alternatives without much difficulty.
 - d. I had a limited number of resources, but was able to complete the internship with limited difficulty.
 - e. I had a limited number of resources, and this required alternative solutions to complete the internship with significant difficulty.
 - f. Other?

12. To what degree did you have the **informational resources** (library print/electronic access resources, databases, instructions, training, etc.) necessary to complete assigned tasks through the internship?
 - a. I had everything that I needed to complete the internship without difficulty.
 - b. I had most resources necessary to complete the internship without difficulty.
 - c. I had a limited number of resources, but was able to problem solve and find alternatives without much difficulty.
 - d. I had a limited number of resources, but was able to complete the internship with limited difficulty.
 - e. I had a limited number of resources, and this required alternative solutions to complete the internship with significant difficulty.
 - f. Other?

13. Rank the degree to which you agree with this statement: Completing this internship has **helped me explore specific career options** and has positively influenced my career goals?
1 (strongly agree with this statement) to 5 (strongly disagree with this statement)

14. Rank the degree to which you agree with this statement: This internship has inspired me to make **changes to improve my academic outcomes** (i.e. raising my GPA, new or renewed focus on course-related work, new or renewed career planning, participation in service-learning and other co-curricular activities and organizations to build my resume, etc.)?
1 (strongly agree with this statement) to 5 (strongly disagree with this statement)

15. Rank the degree to which you agree with this statement: This internship has clarified/solidified my goal of **continuing my education** beyond a 4-year bachelor's degree (i.e. M.S. Ph.D., or other professional certifications)?
1 (strongly agree with this statement) to 5 (strongly disagree with this statement)

16. Lastly what benefits have you realized from your participation in this internship?

Potential benefit area	no gain	small gain	moderate gain	large gain	very large gain
a. Clarification of a career path directly-related to sustainability					
b. Clarification of a career path indirectly-related to sustainability					
c. Clarification of a career path not at all related to sustainability					
d. Skills in data collection					
e. Skills in field/laboratory work					
f. Skills in interpretation of results					
g. Skills in scientific writing/publication					
h. Skills related to performing well in a professional workplace					
i. Understanding dimensions of sustainability					
j. Understanding other dimensions of science					
k. Understanding inter-disciplinary perspectives					
l. Integration of theory into practice					
m. Hands-on experiences					
n. Resume building activities					
o. Confidence in public speaking					
p. Learning to work more independently					
q. Learning to work more effectively with others					
r. Learning to work more efficiently (use time wisely)					
s. Other benefit(s)?					

17. What do you plan to do **immediately following** graduation from Shippensburg? (select one)

- a. plan to join the work force for a few years and then return for a graduate degree
- b. plan to join the work force permanently in a sustainability-related career field
- c. plan to join the work force permanently in a field unrelated to sustainability
- d. continue schooling for other professional degree requirements (not M.S. or Ph.D.)
- e. graduate school (M.S. Ph.D) in a bioscience related field including sustainability
- f. graduate school (M.S. Ph.D) in a geoscience related field including sustainability
- g. graduate school (M.S. Ph.D) in a science field (not focusing on sustainability)
- h. graduate school (M.S. Ph.D) in engineering/mathematics
- i. graduate school (M.S. Ph.D) in teaching/education
- j. graduate school in another discipline outside of STEM
- k. not applicable/prefer not to answer

18. Are there any other comments, questions, concerns related to this survey or your student internship?