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## SPECIALIZED SUMMER INTERNSHIP IN HEALTH OUTCOMES



### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

*See the Internship Overview for Additional Details*

#### Who is eligible to participate in the AMCP Foundation/AbbVie Specialized Summer Internship in Health Outcomes?

##### Eligibility Criteria

- Enrollment as a full-time Doctor of Pharmacy degree student in an ACPE-accredited school or college of pharmacy during the 2020-2021 school year, with anticipated graduation in 2022 or 2023
- Eligible for employment in the U.S.

#### What is the official starting date of the internship program?

There is no “official” starting date. Selected interns complete a 10-consecutive-week period between the months of May and August, 2021. The starting date for each intern varies and is based on his/her availability and the availability of the preceptors at the internship sites. Typically, most interns start the internship shortly after completion of their spring semester. Student pharmacists who attend schools with early spring semester completion dates usually start in early May. Some student pharmacists may start their internship as late as the end of June. Almost any starting date is acceptable, provided the internship can be completed by August 31, 2021.

#### What are the site locations for this specialized internship?

Both student pharmacists selected will serve nine weeks of their internship with AbbVie's Global Health Economics and Outcomes Research Department on the AbbVie, Inc. campus in Irvine, California. At the conclusion of the nine weeks, the interns will travel from their internship site to Alexandria, VA, and will spend up to one week at AMCP/Foundation Headquarters.

#### How much travel is involved?

Interns will first travel from their home/school to AbbVie, Inc. in Irvine, CA. At the conclusion of the nine weeks, the interns will travel from their internship site to Alexandria, VA, and will spend up to one week at the AMCP/Foundation Headquarters. Upon conclusion of the site rotation, interns typically return to their homes/schools. In October all interns will travel to AMCP Nexus 2021.

#### NOTE:

- Interns are responsible for housing accommodations at AbbVie and AMCP/Foundation Headquarters.
- All travel between sites, registration, and housing for AMCP Nexus 2021 will be handled by AMCP Foundation.
- Interns may be asked to travel to offsite meetings. Reimbursement for this travel will be based on the purpose of the travel.

#### What are the application requirements?

**All application requirements are due on or before January 15, 2021.**

##### Application Requirements

- Submit online application via online portal.
- Submit two letters of recommendation: one from a practicing pharmacist, and one from a professional reference with direct knowledge of the student pharmacist.
- Submit Letter of Good Academic Standing from Dean's/Assistant's Dean's office (or the institution's equivalent) confirming that the student is in good academic standing and **stating the student's current cumulative GPA.**

#### NOTE:

- Each letter must be written by a different individual. Letters may be uploaded together via submission portal.
- CV or resume (PDF format only)
- Letter of Good Academic Standing from Dean's/Associate Dean's office (or institution's equivalent) must be written on the school's letterhead
- **DO NOT SEND TRANSCRIPTS!**

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2021**

**I applied for the internship during my second year of pharmacy school, but was not awarded an internship. I am now in my third year. Am I eligible to submit an application for this year?**

Yes.

**How many student pharmacists are awarded the internship?**

For the 2021 internship, two student pharmacists will be awarded internships in the AMCP Foundation/AbbVie, Inc Specialized Summer Internship in Health Outcomes.

**What will I do during the internship?**

One of the goals of this internship is to provide student pharmacists with experience in health outcomes research and measurement and its application to evidence-based decision making in managed health care systems. Interns will also learn the importance of health outcomes in the development and marketing of a pharmaceutical product. Based on one of the major projects assigned by your preceptor, you will repurpose the project and present your findings in poster presentations at AMCP Nexus 2021. As part of the structured ten-week internship program, interns will be matched with virtual preceptors for additional mentoring.

Interns, through their work with the AbbVie Global Health Economics and Outcomes Research Department, will gain exposure to:

- the importance of health outcomes in the development and marketing of a pharmaceutical product
- the process of drug discovery
- the process of drug development through the various phases of clinical trials
- economic, clinical and humanistic outcomes-measurement techniques
- AMCP Format-based product dossier development and its use in the formulary decision-making process.

**NOTE:** You will work with your AbbVie preceptor to determine the topic for this project.

- While at AMCP/Foundation Headquarters, you will learn about AMCP and AMCP Foundation, participate in meetings with management and provide an informal presentation of the project that will be the subject of your fall meeting presentation.

**What expenses incurred during the internship will be reimbursed?**

**Generally, expenses that are related to travel to the internship site from home/school may be reimbursed. These include:**

- Mileage reimbursement (if the intern drives his/her car to the internship site)
- Car rental expenses.

**NOTES:**

- Other non-standard expenses may be considered for reimbursement on a case-by case basis. Interns will receive a welcome packet that contains, among other documents, the expense reimbursement guidelines. The program administrator will have the final say in all reimbursement questions.
- All reimbursement claims for individual covered expenses must be accompanied by a receipt.
- Major expenses such as airline tickets and hotel accommodations for AMCP Nexus 2021 are paid by the program. This means that no payment is required of the intern; therefore no reimbursement is necessary for those types of expenses.

**Examples of expenses NOT reimbursed include:**

- Meal and food expenses
- Entertainment expenses
- Poster printing or carrier
- Mailing/Shipping expenses
- Books or additional resources at sites
- Housing expenses while at AbbVie, Inc. and AMCP/Foundation Headquarters

**Does this internship qualify as a specialty rotation?**

The internship *may* qualify as a specialty rotation. Since each college of pharmacy has its own guidelines for such rotations, the student applying for the internship must ascertain the requirements for his/her school. In some cases your school may require AbbVie to register with the college or prohibit you from receiving compensation. If your school determines that the internship qualifies as a rotation, AMCP Foundation will work with the student pharmacist, wherever possible, to ensure that credit for the rotation can be provided.

**May I simultaneously apply for the AMCP Foundation/AbbVie, Inc Specialized Summer Internship in Health Outcomes AND any other internships administered by the Foundation?**

Yes, you may apply for all internships in the same year. A student pharmacist applying for more than one internship will be given due consideration for each, but will only be selected for one of the internships. You will not be offered the option to choose.

**NOTE:** Student pharmacists applying for multiple internships must submit an online application for each. Moreover, each letter of recommendation must clearly state which internship you are applying for; in other words, please don't submit the same letter to more than one internship.

**Will I receive a stipend during the internship? If so, how will it be paid?**

You will receive a stipend for the duration of the 10-week program. The stipend will be paid twice a month on the 5th & 20th of each month via direct deposit.

**Taxes:** Your stipend will have taxes deducted from it. In January 2022, you will receive a W2 form from AMCP Foundation. Interns will use the W2 form during preparation and submission of their 2021 personal income tax return.

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Friday, January 15, 2021**

**APPLICATION:  
apply.amcpfoundation.org**

**INFORMATION:  
AMCPFoundation.org**



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