

October 2023

Hello!

I want to start off by thanking everyone who attended SCI Week, as well as the Fall Career Fair. We had a great turnout at both events and are already considering new formats and offerings for next year. Whether you attended or not, please consider sharing your feedback in this brief [survey](#) so we can ensure a great experience for all.

My office is also in the process of collecting data regarding how students spent their summers. While many students choose to do an experience for-credit, many do not and it'd be great to learn more about them. It'll also help design future workshops/programming to ensure students are prepared for any summer option they choose to do. More info is listed below (including chances to win Pitt gear!).

I've added in a couple of new sections in this issue, including a spotlight series which will highlight the various types of experiential learning, as well as selected opportunities, and my fall workshop schedule. If you have any follow-up questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Don't forget you have [Peter Su](#) in the Career Center to discuss your Career Fair experience with and assist with applications. There's also the SCI Community Engagement Volunteer [Form](#) if you're interested in learning about volunteer opportunities this semester!



Have a great month,

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Featured Events

Games4SocialImpact

Spend a weekend designing and creating a game with positive social impact. No programming background necessary. Oh, yeah, and there are prizes! And free food! Held October 6th - 8th.



[Register](#)



Civic Action Week

Attend civic action oriented workshops, listen to experts in the field, and volunteer in the community during Civic Action Week, held October 16th - 21st.

[More Info](#)

Robotics Opportunity Expo



If you're looking for career opportunities or want to learn more about the robotics industry in Pittsburgh, don't miss this chance to meet with employers on October 20th.

[Register](#)

Spotlight: Internships

According to a recent NACE [study](#), when recruiters are reviewing two equally qualified candidates for a full-time job, they tend to favor the one who has previous internship experience over the one who has not.

Internships (and practicum at the graduate level) not only provide students with a hands-on opportunity to learn, but they are also a great way to try out a company before graduating.

Internships can provide valuable skills, industry connections, as well as professional mentoring that is difficult to obtain in the classroom. They're typically part-time if done during the fall or spring semesters and full-time during the summer. In some instances, students can receive [credit](#) for the experience as well.

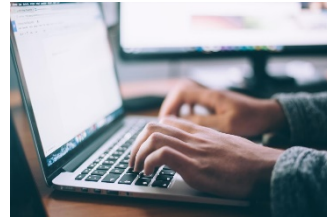
To better understand the recruiting timeline and for more information on how to land an internship, visit the Gaining Experience page of the Career Resources section of the SCI's Career Services site [here](#). There's additional information regarding application materials, strategizing, interview prep, and more.

For more 1:1 advice, feel free to schedule an appointment with [Peter Su](#) in the Career Center to discuss your search or myself in relation to earning credit and understanding how to market your experience. There's also an upcoming workshop on this topic held later this month.

Featured Resources

Resume Prep

Need to update or create a resume? Check out some tips for designing an effective document, as well as some resume templates on SCI's Career Services Site.



[More Info](#)



Big Interview

Practice interviewing with this virtual mock interview software. Be sure to register using your Pitt email for free access!

[More Info](#)

Guide to CPT Work Authorization

If you're an international student on an F-1 visa, check out this in-depth guide regarding the policies and procedures to utilize CPT (curricular practical training).



[More Info](#)

Selected Opportunities

[Data Science Intern](#) at the University of Pittsburgh Mobile Sensing + Health Institute

[Science of Security Summer Intern Program](#) at the NSA

[Autonomy, Robotics & Mobile Technology Co-Op \(Spring 2024\)](#) at FedEx

[Tech Tutor for Older Adults](#) at the Jewish Community Center

[K-8 Computer Science Teaching Assistant](#) at the STEM Coding Lab

[Datathon Competition](#) with Alteryx, BNY Mellon & Pitt (SSOE, SCI, Business)

Fall Workshop Schedule

[Gaining Experience Outside the Classroom](#) | October 18th, 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.

[Co-op Info Session](#) | November 7th, 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.

[Make the Most of Your Winter Break](#) | December 8th, 12:00 - 12:50 p.m.

All of the events this semester are virtual, no pre-registration necessary!

Summer Experiences Survey

SCI's Summer Experiential Learning Survey

Did you participate in experiential learning over the summer? This could be interning, conducting research, volunteering, working a part-time job, etc. and SCI would love to hear all about it! The information gathered will assist in designing relevant programming and resources for students.

Complete this brief survey and earn a chance to win some Pitt gear!
Giveaway ends on November 30th at 11:45 p.m. and winners will be
announced on December 5th at 5:00 p.m.

[Submit Here](#)

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