INTERNSHIP SPOTLIGHT

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Graduation Year: 2020

Semester of Internship: Summer 2017

Major: Business Management **Hometown**: Philadelphia, PA

Minor: N/A

<u>Hobbies</u>: Dancing, watching movies, planning events, and spending time with my loved ones.

Campus Activities: Secretary of SGA (Student Government Association) and DSC (Diversity Student Coalition)

Future Plans: Owning a business, or being CEO of an up and running company

• Internship (company/your title):

Philadelphia Housing Authority/ Assistant Management Intern

What were your duties?

Collecting rent, processing recertification for each resident monthly, setting up one on ones with tenants, lease terminations.

What did you enjoy most about your internship?

The office experience, and being able to make big decisions on my own.

• What was the most difficult aspect of the internship?

Learning the system of PHA (Philadelphia Housing Authority), so that any paper work was not messed up.

• How did your experience at UPG and in the Management department prepare you for your internship?

My experience at UPG, and being a Business Management major, prepared me to be professional, and on time with the assignments I was given at PHA. Everything was about timing.

How has your internship prepared you for a career?

Honestly, my internship helped me realize that I need to be serious about what I want to do as a career, and not take my job lightly. If I do take it lightly, mistakes can happen, slowing down the process.

What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship?

Take full advantage of your internship. Learn as much as you can, and network with the people you work with. You never know who they'll know.