University of Hawai'i Mānoa Department of Public Safety (UHM DPS) Internship Program

The UHM DPS internship program is a unique and valuable learning opportunity for students to immerse themselves in "real-world" experiences. It is a partnership between the UHM DPS and University of Hawai'i System Colleges and Universities.

This program is geared towards those students who have a passion and desire to enter the field of public safety upon graduation. It is meant for students seeking to complete their academic internship requirements. In order to apply, students must be enrolled in a public safety or emergency management related degree program (i.e. disaster preparedness and emergency management, public administration, administration of justice, criminal justice, urban and regional planning).

University of Hawai'i students who apply will be selected, mentored, and supervised by a UHM DPS staff member. The selected student will be tasked with security and emergency management related projects in which they can apply classroom knowledge. This program is meant to expand their skillsets, provide an insight into their chosen field of study, and help to better prepare them for a career in public safety.

Below is a list of potential projects and tasks that the selected student will be involved with:

- Ride along with a DPS Officer
- Incident Action Plans
- After Action Reports
- Research
- Table Top Exercises
- Security Assessments and/or other security related projects
- Participation in and planning for special events

Qualifications and Desired Characteristics:

- Enrolled in an Emergency Management or Public Safety related degree program within the University of Hawai'i System
- Self-starter and ability to work independently
- Positive and professional attitude
- Proficient with common software (Microsoft Office, Internet, etc.)
- Ability to communicate professionally, both verbally and in writing
- Strong organizational skills
- Ability to resolve problems through creative and critical thinking skills

Internship Selection Process:

- Submit a request to the Internship Program Contact. Please include in your request a brief explanation of your interest in this internship and why you would be a good candidate.
- Submit a brief history of degree program and work history to the Internship Program Contact
- Brief interview with the UH Mānoa Department of Public Safety
- Students selected for this internship will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement

Compensation: Unpaid

Approximate Time Commitment: Varies depending on degree requirements

Openings: On-going

Internship Program Contact:

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