

Cairn Internships

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Internships combine classroom theory with a structured, supervised work experience, providing the opportunity to link the academic experience with future career aspirations or community service objectives. The School or Department which requires the internship assists students in all aspects of internships from site placement to providing a supervised work experience. Students undertake internships with intentional learning goals and a plan for reflection on the experience. An internship enhances personal, professional and educational development, bridging the gap between the classroom and the "real world". Cairn University offers the following types of internships:

- Student Teaching**
- Social Work Field Placement**
- Business Practicum**
- Business Internship**
- Counseling Internship**
- Social Service Internship**
- Social Work Minor Internship**
- Church Ministries Internships**

Internships concentrate on the practical application of learning and exploring students' abilities. They occur within an academic context and require a significant academic component. They are supervised and evaluated by faculty and must meet standards as established by the School or Department which requires the internship.

Qualifications and Requirements for Internships

Qualifications and requirements for all internships are determined by the School or Department which requires the internship.

All internships are credit-bearing and range from 1-9 credit hours. Credits are based on the number of hours spent on the internship and related activities and assignments. Hours must be completed during the term in which credit is received. Typically, one credit hour requires 35-40 hours spent on the internship site combined with appropriate academic requirements off-site (for example: seminars, meetings, etc.).

Credit costs are assessed with current credit fees. Some internships also require an additional fee which is communicated prior to registration.