September 2023 Newsletter

11th Annual Scholarship Gala a Success!

Thank you to everyone who supported and joined us for our 11th Annual Scholarship Gala @ Sony Pictures Studios! A very special thank you to our Scholars, alumni, Board of Directors, honorees Sony Pictures Entertainment and Women in Technology Hollywood, and incredible emcee Frank Mottek.

If you were unable to join us and would like to invest in our Scholars, you may donate at http://stemadvantage.org/donate

Seeking Internships & Entry-Level Roles

Internships help students gain real-world experience in their major, which benefits them in the job market as they build skills, confidence, and their network. If you can provide **paid internships and/or hire entry-level talent**, please contact Jasmyn at jasmyn@stemadvantage.org

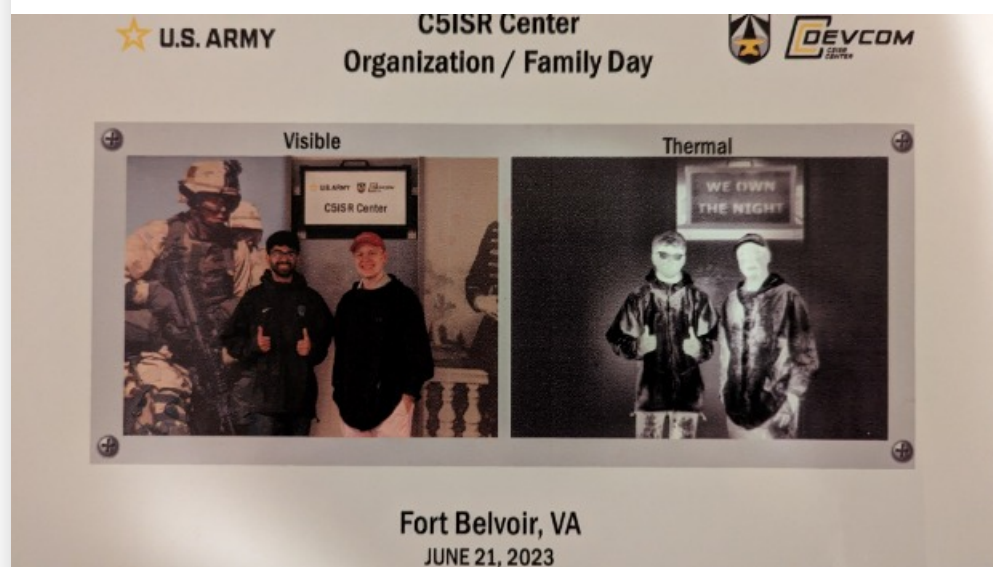Sharing a few photos from Scholars' summer internships...

Sydney, an Electrical Engineering major at Cal State Long Beach, had an internship in the Protection Systems & Controls Group at LADWP (Los Angeles Dept. of Water & Power). Here's Sydney at a receiving station, with a few level 1 associates at Scattergood Generation Station, on stage presenting her experience, and with another associate at a receiving station.

Lesly, an Electrical Engineering major at Cal Poly Pomona, had a summer internship with Toyota's Research & Development team.

Sandra, a Computer Science major at Cal State Fullerton, had a Research Fellowship this summer. The "SoCal Data Science Program" provided students from Cal State Fullerton, UCI, and Cypress College an opportunity to work on faculty-led data science projects in collaboration with a research lab at UCI. Sandra's team applied techniques of data analysis and machine learning to study *hippocampal ensembles of neurons*, or how rats remember an extended sequence of events. They are excited because their work is publishable. Sandra is shown with her fellowship cohort. She's in the 1st row, 5th from the right.

Zain, a Computer Science major at Cal State LA, had a summer internship at DEVCOM. The U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command, known as DEVCOM, is the Army's research laboratory. Zain created the base for a searching and filtering tool they will expand upon in the future, while learning web development and frameworks, such as ReactJS and node.js. Zain is on the left in the photo.

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Invest in Diverse STEM Talent

Talent is equally distributed, but opportunity is not. STEM Advantage mentors, prepares, and inspires women and underserved communities, primarily first-generation college students from low-income families, for STEM careers.
We provide economic and social mobility to underserved groups, while providing a vetted pipeline of diverse talent to businesses to fill their workforce needs. The Los Angeles Business Journal honored STEM Advantage as Diversity, Inclusion + Equity Nonprofit of the Year!

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