

## SUMMER EXTERNSHIP FAQ

The following are answers to some of the most frequently asked questions about taking an externship for credit in the summer:

**How many units can I take in the summer?** Between 1 and 6 units are available in the summer. For information on how many hours you need to work per unit, please see the Externship Handbook.

**How much does it cost?** It costs the same as a summer school course, which is about \$2,000 per unit.

**Will my scholarship cover the cost?** No, summer classes and externships are not included in scholarships.

**Can I get financial aid?** Yes, if you take 6 units of externship credit (or 3 units of credit plus a 3-unit summer school class).

**Can I do the externship in the summer, but apply the units in the fall?** No. Units must be earned simultaneously with the work performed.

**I don't want to pay for credit. Can I just volunteer even though the listing for the unpaid job said "externship"?** Maybe. Some placements like public interest or government agencies don't care if you volunteer or receive credit, even if they call it an "externship," so check with the placement. But if the placement is a private law firm or business that listed the position as "for credit only" or "externship only," then you must take at least 1 unit of credit.

**Do I have to take the max units available per hours worked?** No. Even if you work full time over the summer so that you *could* earn 6 units of credit, you can take as few as 1 unit for that work.

**When should I start and end my summer externship?** You are not restricted by the start and end dates of summer school classes. Rather, you can start as early as the first Monday after spring finals are finished and work as late as the day before school starts in the fall.

**When to I need to register by?** The add/drop deadline for summer school applies to externships, but there is a 1-hour orientation on the Monday after finals, so registering by that date is preferred.

**How do I register?** Once you secure an externship, fill out the application online (the link is at the back of the Externship Handbook). After it's approved, you'll receive a code for registration.

**I Have More Questions!** Please review the Externship Handbook, which you can download from [www.chapman.edu/law/externships](http://www.chapman.edu/law/externships), for complete details about the Externship Program. Then contact Professor Larmore if you still have questions at [Larmore@chapman.edu](mailto:Larmore@chapman.edu).