

INTERNSHIP ASSISTANCE FUND

Career-related internships can be life changing, providing students with invaluable experience and opening doors to future employment. Students in the College of Humanities and Fine Arts offer a wide range of skills to the workplace and the vital opportunities internships provide to delve into their interests and discover their strengths.

WHY INTERNSHIP ASSISTANCE?

Students should not have to choose between gaining valuable experience to apply to their careers and working a job not related to their career to meet financial needs. The HFA Internship Assistance Fund aims to provide support and alleviate financial stress in order to allow students to pursue their career dreams.

HOW DOES THE FUND WORK?

1. Students apply for support by submitting an online application for a specific internship that includes information about the employer, internship, and a budget.
2. Applications may be submitted before an internship offer is made or confirmed so students know they will have the means needed to accept the position.
3. Applications are reviewed by the HFA Internship Committee, comprised of staff from the HFA Advising and Career Center and Dean's Office.
4. Awards are made based on the quality of applications and the need for assistance.

HOW CAN ALUMNI HELP?

1. Give as generously as you are able in order to launch this important initiative. Your investment is an investment in our students and their futures and a validation of the importance of studying the humanities and arts to the workforce.
2. Explore what internship doors you are able to open to make meaningful opportunities available to students. Contact the HFA Advising and Career Center.
3. Volunteer for the UMass Amherst Alumni Advisor Network to share your expertise.