**Colgate University Career Services Summer Funding Application 2023 (downloadable copy)**

Thank you for your interest in applying for Summer Funding. It is highly recommended that you work on your application offline, save a copy, and then transfer your responses to the online form. Only applications submitted on time via the online form

**Eligibility and Requirements:** Students in the classes of 2026, 2025, 2024, and December 2023 graduates are eligible to apply for summer funding. **Students must have their resume/CV certi**fi**ed by Career Services during the 2022–23 academic year and before the application deadline**. Advising appointments are in very high demand, please plan ahead to have your resume/CV reviewed and approved before the deadline. Appointments can be made by vising www.colgate.edu/ccsadvising. Career Services will also host drop-in resume review events on January 23 and 24, 2023.

**THE SUMMER FUNDING DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023 BY 11:59 P.M. EST.** Late applications will not be considered. You must submit your application via the google form available on the summer funding webpage ([www.colgate.edu/summerfunding](http://www.colgate.edu/summerfunding)).

Career Services is pleased to have the opportunity to subsidize students' living expenses and supplemental costs associated with pursuing unpaid and underpaid experiential education opportunities through the Summer Funding programs. Eligible opportunities include internships, research (including field school), long-term volunteer work, and independent projects. Summer funding is not available to replace lost wages and cannot be utilized in conjunction with other Colgate sources of funding.

The experience, or combination of experiences, you propose for Summer Funding must be a minimum of eight weeks in duration. Exceptions for extenuating circumstances such as military service or an early study-abroad departure will be made on a case-by-case basis. Career Services will follow all University policies related to international travel. Students who are interested in pursuing an international experience for the summer are encouraged to have a backup plan in a domestic location in case sponsoring travel to their intended location is not permitted for health or safety reasons. Please address any questions to Career Services at 315-228-7380 or internship@colgate.edu.

**Please be prepared to include the following information on the online application:**

**Personal Information**

1. Name:
2. Student ID:
3. Class year:
4. Cell phone:
5. Major/Intended major:

Please indicate other sources of Colgate funding that you are planning to apply for, or have applied to, for this or another unique experience during summer 2023. Students are encouraged to apply for career services' grants simultaneously while pursuing other Colgate funding sources. However, per Colgate’s policy, students who accept funding from another Colgate source will become ineligible to receive Career Services funding, and vice versa.

* I am not applying to any other sources of Colgate Funding for summer 2023
* AMS Grant
* Faculty-sponsored research (Colgate)
* Golden Fellowship
* Lampert Institute
* Student-initiated research (Colgate)
* Upstate Institute
* Other

**Administrative Questions** (The following questions are not evaluated by the review committee, but are used by the career services team to award grants from appropriate sources of funding if you are selected to receive a grant.)

Please tell us about your intended location for your summer experience.

* I plan to be in the U.S., within commutable distance from home or campus
* I plan to live and work in the U.S., in a location that is not commutable from home or campus
* I plan to be outside of the U.S., within a commutable distance from home
* I plan to live and work outside of the U.S., in a location that is not commutable from home

Which of the following categories best describes the industry classification of the experience(s) you are hoping to pursue?

* Exploratory (I am still comparing a range of options in different industries)
* Arts (Studio or performing arts, art history, etc.)
* Business (consulting, finance, insurance, executive search, marketing, etc.)
* Common Good (education, law, policy, nonprofit, direct service, etc.)
* Creative Communications (advertising, public relations, publishing, media)
* Health and Wellness (medicine, public health, mental health, fitness & wellness, nutrition, etc.)
* STEM (science, technology, engineering, math)

Career Services Summer Funding draws resources from annual donor gifts as well as a large slate of endowed sources. A small number of these resources are earmarked to support specific types of experiences. To help us award funds from an appropriate source, please let us know if any of the following apply. Selecting/Not selecting any of the following has no impact on whether or not you receive a summer funding grant.

* I receive financial aid from Colgate (you will grant access for us to see this on your portal)
* My experience will be in Washington, D.C. in one of the following areas: political science, policy, government, or communications
* My experience will be with a for-profit organization in a country other than the United States
* My experience is in the medical field
* My experience is in psychology
* My experience is in finance
* None of these apply

Summer Funding is a competitive process. If you receive this grant, how will it assist you to maximize your professional growth/development in ways that not receiving it would limit? *We realize that not receiving a grant can have significant impact on your plans. Consider how a summer grant provides access to a specific location, employer, or position that might be more valuable to you than something that is paid, closer to home, more convenient, and/or has fewer associated costs. Help us understand how the financial resources of Summer Funding are integral to the achievement of your goals related to your proposed experience.*

**Summer Offer Status** (This information does not affect your scoring for summer funding)

1. Have you been offered or accepted an internship or experience for this summer?
2. If so, please provide the employer name, position title, and experience location:
3. Have you accepted the offer?

**Evaluated Short Essay Questions** (Please respond in 200 words or less per question)

The following questions are evaluated by the review committee and are meant to provide insight into your thought process, motivations, and goals related to your potential summer experience. Each question should have a unique response. Please put adequate thought into your responses to demonstrate why you are a good candidate for funding.

Career Services recognizes that students pursue summer internships, research, and other projects for both exploratory reasons and/or to gain experience in a proven area of interest. Value is seen in both motivations and exploratory opportunities will be given equal consideration in the summer funding process.

**What kinds of experiences are you hoping to apply (or have you applied) to this summer?** Please describe with as much detail as possible any characteristics you are using/have used as search criteria for your summer experience. Consider including industry(ies), type(s) of organization(s), job responsibilities, locations, office environment/culture, size of organization, Colgate connections, etc.

**Please describe the potential learning outcomes of your proposed experience and why you have specifically chosen this pathway.** What are the main skills, knowledge, insight, or experience you hope to take away from this summer and what about your specific proposed experience(s) will help you achieve these?  If you’re considering multiple industries, please compare and contrast the potential outcomes of each pathway.

**How will this specific summer experience contribute to your short-term and long-term goals?** You do not need to know what you plan to do for the rest of your life to answer this question!  If you're considering a few different options or areas, please address each area you're considering.  If your proposed experience is entirely exploratory in nature, talk about what role you think this experience will play as you work to determine greater clarity for your career path.

**What do you anticipate being the most challenging personal or professional aspects of your summer experience? How do you plan to overcome this/these challenge/s?** In what ways do you anticipate needing to stretch and grow throughout your summer experience? What resources and strategies are you using to learn about the expectations in your new environment so that you can get up to speed? (Be sure to consider things like professional skills, industry/organization environment and culture, interpersonal and professional communication, geographic or cultural differences, independent living, travel, and time management).