

East Palo Alto

Over the course of an eight-week paid internship in the summer of 2021, Emerson Collective will catalyze an extraordinary and talented group of college students through mentorship, enriching programs, and meaningful work experience.

Selected Interns will work out of the Emerson Collective offices in Palo Alto, California or Washington, DC. Those interning with XQ will be based in Oakland, California. Placement locations will be determined by the internship and we are unable to accommodate adjustments.

Areas of focus include, but are not limited to, communications, project support, events, policy, and research. Summer interns will also participate in weekly programming designed to develop leadership capacity and build out professional networks.

Scope

The East Palo Alto (EPA) Team advances equity and social justice by focusing on the following core areas: urban planning and policy, engineering, community advocacy and building, responsible real estate investment and development, and environmental studies. The intern on the EPA Team will work collaboratively in support of community development, real estate projects, and community engagement efforts which will demand strong communication and critical thinking skills. The intern will explore, organize, and document background research on potential partners, technologies, solutions, and studies related to the development and operations for the EPA community. In addition, the intern will support the team's placemaking efforts in EPA. The EPA intern will work at the Bloomhouse in East Palo Alto.

Qualifications

- All interns may encounter sensitive information and are expected to maintain a high level of discretion and confidentiality.

- Flexible and adaptive work ethic; all interns will contribute to special projects across different teams as they arise.
- Competent problem solving and confident self-starting skills
- You're passionate about social impact, particularly fighting poverty, improving schools, making government work well for all, environment, and/or immigrants' rights.
- You're intellectually curious. You love learning new things. You learn quickly and independently. You respond to new ideas, projects, and tasks with enthusiasm and a sense of possibility.
- You're creative and resourceful when solving problems or completing tasks.
- You have exceptional organization skills. You have strong prioritization skills, including time management and project management skills, and always follow through.
- You have excellent written and oral communication skills, including the ability to develop materials for internal and external audiences. You can communicate complex information clearly and concisely with everyone in the organization and with external stakeholders.
- You maintain a team-oriented approach and thrive in entrepreneurial, dynamic environments. You're comfortable taking on new tasks or projects with little direction and adjusting course quickly in response to feedback.
- You have high standards for accuracy, quality, and integrity.
- You respond to new ideas, projects, and tasks with enthusiasm and a sense of possibility.

Location

- Bloomhouse, East Palo Alto

Compensation

This is a paid internship that offers both housing and travel stipends.

Questions

Please direct any questions to internship@emersoncollective.com

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