AYN RAND INSTITUTE SUMMER INTERNSHIP

> *There might be other opportunities for internships or summer jobs, but this internship is a genuine life experience.*

—2013 ARI Summer Intern

The Ayn Rand Institute Summer Internship is an extraordinary three-week program that combines a traditional internship in a professional workplace with an educational curriculum exploring Ayn Rand's novels, philosophy and the application of her ideas to the world today.

Each June the program brings twenty to thirty college students and recent graduates who are new to Rand's books and ideas to ARI's main office in sunny Southern California. There, they immerse themselves in an educational curriculum taught by experts in Ayn Rand's philosophy, and gain professional experience contributing to ARI projects and programs. All this—and each intern receives a $1,200 scholarship and $500 travel stipend to help with living and transportation expenses.

The ARI Summer Internship is an ideal way for students of all disciplines, backgrounds and viewpoints to begin serious exploration of Rand's ideas. It does not presuppose agreement with or knowledge of Objectivism, and the classroom is an open, respectful environment where students are free to express their views. The internship class typically comprises a variety of academic disciplines and career interests—from literature to business to medicine to philosophy to engineering—creating a unique learning and social environment which fosters fascinating discussions and lasting friendships.

If you are a college student or a recent high school or college graduate who wants to understand what Rand stands for and why she matters today, we strongly encourage you to apply: aynrand.org/internapp. The ARI Summer Internship is a fun, rewarding and unforgettable experience that challenges you to think deeply about complex and crucial issues, and provides concrete professional experience to strengthen your resume and to apply in your future career.

See page two for more details about the program, or email us at intern@aynrand.org.

PROGRAM DETAILS

How to Apply
aynrand.org/internapp

Application Deadlines
Early deadline:
January 12, 2014
Final deadline:
March 30, 2014

Program Duration
June 2–June 20, 2014

Location
Ayn Rand Institute
Irvine, California

Schedule
9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.,
Monday–Friday

Financial Support
- Scholarship: $1,200
- Travel Stipend: $500

Other Benefits
- Set of Ayn Rand books
- Lunch provided daily

Accommodations
All transportation and housing arrangements are the responsibility of the intern.

Questions?
intern@aynrand.org

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Program Structure

Educational Curriculum

The educational curriculum is aimed at students who are new to Ayn Rand, and takes an in-depth look at her novels and ideas. The curriculum covers a significant portion of Rand's corpus, both fiction and nonfiction, with *The Fountainhead* and *Atlas Shrugged* serving as keystone texts. (It is not necessary to have read these works to apply.)

The curriculum has four main tracks: (1) **Novels**, where we discuss the characters, ideas and literary aspects of *The Fountainhead* and *Atlas Shrugged*; (2) **Philosophy**, where we examine Rand's thought, focusing especially on her ethics; (3) **Liberty**, where we cover topics such as individual rights, freedom, government, free market capitalism, and the regulatory state; and (4) **Hot Topics**, where we discuss how Rand's ideas apply to popular topical issues such as environmentalism, religion, the financial crisis and foreign policy.

Questions are encouraged throughout the program, and a portion of each lecture is devoted to Q&A. In addition, the curriculum features small group discussions with ARI experts, which delve deeper into classroom content or address subjects not covered in class. Past discussion topics include philosophy, Rand's novels, business, free market economics, law, environmentalism, health care, Middle East policy and more.

Interns can ask questions about anything related to Rand and her philosophy during open Q&A panels with the instructor team. ARI staff and faculty join interns for lunch each day, providing further opportunity for discussion.

Faculty

ARI instructors Dr. Doug Altner, Dr. Onkar Ghate and Dr. Keith Lockitch are the primary internship faculty, with other ARI writers and speakers contributing. In past years, interns have enjoyed meetings with ARI executive director Dr. Yaron Brook and a special Q&A with Mr. John Allison, former chief executive officer and chairman of BB&T Corporation and current president of the Cato Institute.

Office Component

Complementing the educational program is an office component in which interns spend two to three hours each day contributing to ARI programs and projects. In a typical summer, interns develop marketing materials, assist instructors in course development and beta testing online courses, conduct research for ARI's analysts, manage and analyze data and more.

How to Apply

The internship application consists of three components: (1) Official Transcripts; (2) Essay Response; and (3) Online Application Form. Visit aynrand.org/internapp for more information.

Key Dates

January 12, 2014: Early Application Deadline: Early applicants accepted or waitlisted by the end of January
March 30, 2014: Final Application Deadline: Applicants receive their application decision by mid/late April
June 2, 2014–June 20, 2014: Internship program takes place at the Ayn Rand Institute in Irvine, California

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