COMM 4392

Comm 4392 is a class designed for students interested in working in an approved internship in order to receive three hours academic credit. <u>Students are responsible for securing their own internships</u> but can reach out to the Valenti School for assistance finding a suitable internship.

Course Summary

Students work 150 hours per semester and receive course credit in an approved internship that must align with their major and be approved by the instructor. The internship should allow students to apply what they have learned in courses previously taken in their major.

Students will be required to complete several assignments for the class. All assignments will be posted through Canvas. Students will receive a syllabus upon enrollment. Comm 4392 is a pass/fail class. This pass/fail course will not count against the total pass/fail courses that students are allowed.

To receive credit for an internship, students must be enrolled in the internship course and an internship simultaneously. No credit may be given retroactively for internship work in the past that is now finished.

Course Prerequisites

To enroll in Comm 4392, you must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a junior or senior level communication major in good standing.
- Transfer students must have completed at least one full-time semester of academic work at the University of Houston.

Internship Requirements

Students are responsible for securing their own internships. When searching, keep in mind the following criteria must be met:

- Student interns must complete 150 hours per semester, under the supervision of someone with a communications background/degree.
- Student interns must spend at least 75% of time on communication-related activities with no more than 25% of their time spent on administrative activities.
- Intern supervisors MUST complete a contract with the intern at the beginning of the semester as well as a final performance evaluation at the end of the semester.

Course Registration

To register for this course, please reach out to Dr. Laura Ashley or Kristina Werner to receive a permission number. Students must secure an internship that meets all requirements before the 6th day of class or they will be dropped.

Finding an Internship

Students must find their own internship and are encouraged to visit our experiential learning hub ExperienceValenti.com or to make an appointment with our Internship Program Manager for further assistance.