# Lecture 4: Summer Opportunities

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## Dog tax part 1! Luna!





### Dog tax part 2!





## Dog tax part 3



# You don't have to get an internship

(there are other options!!)

#### Lots of different paths

- Internships
- Summer Research
- Summer Classes
- Working on campus over the summer
- Going home!!

#### **Internships**

- Resume
- Where to Look
- When different companies are hiring
- Freshman internships
- Technical Interviewing
- Non-technical internships are okay too!

#### Resumes

# We stole this one from the

#### <u>career center</u> website

One note. Some companies annoyingly won't look at any freshman resumes. So just say you're an undergrad instead.

#### Cocoa Touch

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#### **OBJECTIVE:**

An internship or research opportunity that will allow me to utilize my problem solving skills and attention to detail to further develop my abilities in the field of computer science

#### EDUCATION:

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh PA Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, May 20XX

Walnut Hills High School, Cincinnati, OH
Diploma with Honors, June 20XX GPA 4.0/4.0

#### COURSEWORK:

Analysis I and II; Introduction to Programming; Concepts of Mathematics; Principles of Imperative Programming, Great Theoretical Ideas in Computer Science

#### PROJECT:

Programming Homework: An Adventure Game, Fall 20XX

#### The CMU Career Center

It's their job to help you get a job!

https://www.cmu.edu/career/

They do mock interviews!

Help with your resume!

Will help make you a really great catch!!









#### Where to look for internships

- TOC/Let's Talk
  - Ok that passed but maybe you went and talked to some people
- Handshake
  - CMU's jobs portal
- LinkedIn
- Angel.co
- Company websites
  - Handshake, LinkedIn, Angel all have one click apply
- Internship / Research with local Pittsburgh organizations
- Referrals / family connections

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#### When do companies hire?

# Financial companies Corporate Sept Dec Big 5 Start ups

- Encompass CMU: Tuesday, September 24
- Spark (Start ups): Thursday, October 24
- Jumpstart (Freshmen & Soph only): Monday, February 3
- Encompass (again): February 4-5, 2020

#### Freshmen Intern Programs



- Intern programs specifically for freshmen
- Good opportunity to explore big tech, but again this ISN'T a total must.
- Popular Programs Include (all of these are open now!)
  - Google STEP (formerly Engineering Practicum)
  - Facebook University
  - o <u>Explore Microsoft</u>
  - <u>Twitter Academy</u>
  - Amazon Future Engineer

#### **Interning at Startups**

- Really fun to work at
- Get to have a ton of impact on really cool companies
- Startups are really looking to hire
- There are an endless list of them so you can most certainly find one that seems cool to you

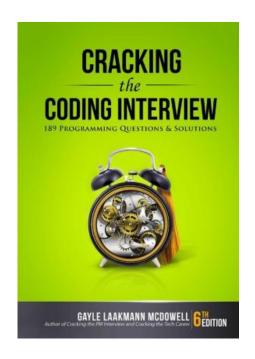
#### Non-technical internships

- You can do other things besides code
- It's totally fine to get an internship doing something else
- It will make you really stand out!!
- Get paid for underpaying / unpaid internships:
  - With CMU Summer Internship Experience Fund
  - https://www.cmu.edu/career/students-and-alumni/find-a-job-or-in ternship/summer-internship-experience-fund.html

#### **Technical Interviewing (summarized)**

- Interviewer(s) will ask you to solve some sort of problem
- Less about getting it right than showing off your amazing problem solving skills
- Really explain what you're doing and why you're trying what you're trying
- If you get stuck, that's ok. They'd rather see you try to solve something than sit there and not do anything
- You can check out our <u>extratation notes</u> on Technical Interviewing for more information

#### How to Study for Technical Interviews







#### Non-technical Interviewing

- Fitting in with a company is important
- Be nice, professional, and courteous and companies will love you
- Remember that interviews give you a chance to see if you will fit in at the company too

#### **Summer Research**

- Research with professors
  - Email professors
  - Wait for Tom's opportunities list
  - Handshake
- Money:
  - REUs Research Experience for Undergrads
  - SURF Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships
  - SURG Small Undergraduate Research Grants
- Unpaid:
  - SURA Summer Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship
- HCII Summer research program (<u>link</u> to last year's portal)



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to cs-sophs, cs-juniors, cs-seniors, compbio\_ugrads, ai-undergrads 🔻

SCS Undergrads,

Some new projects have been posted for you on our research/projects page:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/17LK18JBGR5Z9zp2gEgHjuTCjKTLtOwotUJNzvjyRyww/edit?usp=sharing

The new projects are highlighted near the top in green.

The original projects are still listed in case you want to contact anyone.

Best,

Tom

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#### **Summer Classes**

- List of what is offered
  - o 15-213, 21-241, Experimental physics, etc.
- Different universities, maybe near home
  - Check with advisor first

#### Working on campus

- TAing classes like 112,122, 150, and 151 is definitely within your reach.
  - Good opportunity to test out TA'ing without normal class commitments.
- Can be an RA for the summer
- Hold low-stress desk jobs
- Good pairing with Summer Classes and/or Research!

#### Going home

- Enjoy it while you can
- Good opportunity to work on programming projects without the stress of a job or schoolwork
  - Summer of Code: <a href="https://summerofcode.withgoogle.com/">https://summerofcode.withgoogle.com/</a>
- Also a good opportunity to not think about computers for a few months
- Have fun with your family and friends
  - And your dogs!

# "One summer of research, One summer at a small company, One summer at a big company"

-Scott Krulcik

## **Our Experiences**