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My internship with VEDP was an experience I'll never forget. The mentorship that VEDP provided for me during my internship was invaluable, and I gained tons of professional skills and connections as a result. After I graduate, I will be pursuing a career in economic development, as after my internship at VEDP I learned it was the path for me.

Jack Honig, 2024 Intern

The **Virginia Economic Development Partnership (VEDP)** is the state economic development authority for the Commonwealth of Virginia. At VEDP, we aim to foster an environment where people are valued and feel like they belong. We encourage people to be their authentic selves and work together to leverage our collective differences and similarities as strengths.

The **Virginia Tourism Corporation (VTC)** aims to expand domestic and international inbound travel and motion picture production to generate revenue and employment in Virginia. Here in Virginia, we stand for LOVE. Virginia is for Lovers stands for diversity, opportunity, and inclusion. We believe that LOVE – and action – will be what moves us forward.

The VEDP and VTC Summer Intern program offers students an opportunity to explore employment in a government organization while growing their professional skills in communication, teamwork, leadership, and a variety of industry-specific skills provided by the hiring division. Interns take on active roles in their teams and welcomed to participate in company-wide functions as well as intern-specific experiences.

Students will gain:

- Intentional industry experience
- Professional mentorship
- Experiential learning and development opportunities



It was very rewarding to see how impactful my contribution was for the organization and for Virginia at large. The networking opportunities and cohort-style program also provided a supportive learning environment.

