

### THE BELLARMINE INTERNSHIP GUARANTEE:

## **Environmental Science / Studies**

Bellarmine cares deeply about what happens after you graduate. We made the Internship Guarantee to help ensure your success now and in the future. Here are some ways to gain experience in your field:

### **Explore your career interests**

- Register for BU199 Career Pathways Exploration, a 1-credit, 7-week course offered fall and spring to discover areas of interest in your major.
- Add a BU250 Community-based Learning Practicum, a 1-credit, 30 hour work experience with a nonprofit organization connected to a complimentary course.

### Prepare for your internship experience

• Register for BU299 Internship Preparation and Success, a 1-credit, 7-week course designed to help you succeed in your internship search. BU299 is a prerequisite to receive the summer internship scholarship. *Take advantage of an ENVS444 internship course for just \$400!* 

### Earn credit towards your degree

- Take ENVS444, a 3-credit hour internship course and gain a minimum of 90 hours of relevant work experience in your field.
- *Want to gain more experience?* Complete a second internship at home or abroad or consider a co-op and earn 6-credit hours for 180 hours of work with your internship partner.

Experience matters! Nearly 70% of internships lead to full-time job offers!



# **Connecting Students to Career**

### Some Employment Areas in Environmental Science/Studies:

- 1. Environmental Remediation/Compliance
- 2. Waste Management
- 3. Soil Science
- 4. Air/Water Quality Management
- 5. Urban Planning
- 6. Wildlife Conservation
- 7. Environmental Education and Communication 8. Snyder Electric
- 8. Environmental Law
- 9. Community Organizing
- 10. Environmental Equity and Justice

### **Top Companies that Hire Bellarmine Talent** 1. Falls of the Ohio

- 2. Kentucky Environmental Education Council
- 3. Louisville Metro Parks
- 4. Ford Motor Company
- 5. Louisville Water Company
- 6. Micro Analytics
- 7. Olmsted Parks Conservancy
- 9. The Food Literacy Project
- 10. Waterfront Botanical Gardens ... and more!!

### **PLAN AHEAD!**

- **Reflect** on your goals for an internship. How will this experience contribute toward your personal, educational and professional goals?
- **Discuss** your internship plans with your faculty advisor to determine the best semester to take your ENVS444 internship course.
- **Meet** with the Career Development Center to explore internship opportunities and prep your application materials.
- **Review** internships posted on Handshake, visit employer websites, or attend a Career Center Event to meet with employers actively hiring in your field of study.
- **Apply** early. Depending on an employer's hiring timelines, internships can take up to three months to finalize.
- Complete your Internship Application & Proposal in Handshake once you've secured your experience. See the Career Center or your faculty sponsor for details.

### **COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION & PROPOSAL IN HANDSHAKE:**

Your application & proposal will provide important details to your faculty about your experience. Writing learning outcomes is the most important part of the application, so take your time and be thorough in your response. Identify 3-5 learning outcomes, then provide examples as to how each learning outcome selected relate directly to the responsibilities included in the job description of your internship. Environmental Science/Studies department learning outcomes include:

- Demonstrate mastery of environmental principles and will analyze environmental issues in welldeveloped written or oral arguments.
- Demonstrate competence in a professional context.
- Demonstrate competence in a research (laboratory and field) context.

For example: I will demonstrate my competencies in the field by assisting with the control of non-native plant species, as well as with park facility restoration projects, such as planting trees, shrubs, and formal beds, installing memorial benches, and irrigating plants.