



## THE BELLARMINE INTERNSHIP GUARANTEE:

# Sports Administration

**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.
- Join a club or intramural sports team to grow your network and learn valuable life skills.

### **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 a 444 internship course for just \$400!*

### **Earn credit towards your degree**

- Take COMM-444 or BUSA 444- 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

### Sports Administration:

1. Sports Management
2. Athletic Administration
3. Coaching & Recruitment
4. Compliance
5. Event and Facilities Management
6. Fitness Instruction
7. Sponsorship and Sales
8. Sports Media
9. Sports Merchandising
10. Sports Medicine

## Top Companies that Hire Bellarmine Talent:

1. Athletix
2. Bellarmine University Athletics
3. Eastern Kentucky University Athletics
4. i4 Lacrosse
5. Louisville Bats
6. Louisville City FC
7. Louisville Sports Commission
8. Kentucky Speedway
9. Norton Sports Medicine
10. University of Louisville Athletics

## 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 required COMM or BUSA 444 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.
- **Enroll** in your internship course. Once you've secured your experience, complete the Internship Application & Proposal in Handshake. *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 the learning outcome, then describe how your learning outcomes relate directly to the responsibilities included in the job description of your internship. Sports Administration department learning outcomes include:

- Develop the technical knowledge and professional skills to prepare for a career in the sports industry.
- Acquire oral and written communication skills to describe and articulate their position on a wide range of technically oriented issues.
- Demonstrate the ability to work effectively in teams, resolve conflicts, provide motivation to others, establish team goals and provide direction.
- Integrate the theories and skills from the liberal arts foundation in history, psychology, economics, law and communication into a cohesive body of sports knowledge.
- Will complete an internship to apply skills and knowledge gained in the program to gain practical learning experience as a sports administration professional.