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Internship Application FLI-SLI STEM Internships Summer 2026

This is the **official application** for the First-Gen/ Low-Income STEM Paid Internship Summer 2026 program. This program will take place during summer 2026, and all placements will run for nine weeks from July 6 through September 4, 2026.

To get a preview of the whole application, go to this link. Review all the components of the application before sitting down to fill this out. Also, here is a list of Frequently Asked Questions to review if you have questions as you move along the application.

Please fill this out completely by the deadline - **April 15, 2026, 11:59pm**

Also keep an eye on this webpage: https://foothill.edu/sli/internships/summer.html

Email *

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First Name *

Short answer text

Last Name *

Short answer text

CWID *

Short answer text

Phone number *

Short answer text

Pronouns that you use *

- She/ her
- He/ him
- They/ them
- Other:

Birthdate (month, day, and year when you were born)

Date

Month, day, year

Required

You as a Foothill Student

Foothill students are prioritized for this internship. If you have taken some classes at De Anza but the majority of your units are from Foothill College, you will still be eligible. However, if you have the majority of your units at De Anza College, you will not be eligible for this internship.

Is Foothill College officially listed as your primary college? This also means you have taken more units at Foothill than De Anza if you take classes at both colleges. *

- ○ Yes - and I have only taken classes at Foothill
- ○ Yes - and I take classes occasionally at De Anza
- ○ No - I have just taken a few classes at Foothill
- ○ No - I have only taken classes at De Anza
- ○ Other: _____

Intended major or area of study at Foothill College. You do not have to be a STEM major to be eligible for this internship. *

- ☐ Astronomy
- ☐ Biochemistry
- ☐ Biology
- ☐ Chemistry
- ☐ Computer Science
- ☐ Engineering (explain below)
- ☐ Math
- ☐ Nursing
- ☐ Physics
- ☐ Psychology
- ☐ Public Health
- ☐ Other: _____

If you are an engineering major, please share the more detailed engineering discipline such as "mechanical" or "electrical," etc. *

Long answer text

Are you **taking at least 6 units at Foothill College** during the spring quarter 2026? This is a requirement for this internship. If De Anza College or another community college is your primary college, you are not eligible for this internship. *

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No
- ◯ Other: _____

Not including the current quarter, **how many complete quarters have you taken classes** (full or part-time) at Foothill College? *

1. 1 quarter
2. 2 quarters
3. 3 quarters
4. 4 quarters
5. 5 quarters
6. 6 quarters
7. 7 quarters
8. 8 quarters
9. 9 quarters
10. 10 quarters
11. more than 10 quarters

What year was the **first year you took classes** at Foothill College? *

- 2022
- 2023
- 2024
- 2025
- 2026
- Other: _____

When are you hoping will be your **last quarter of classes at Foothill** - before graduating, transferring, moving on, etc. This doesn't have to be a firm commitment but is more of a goal. *

- spring 2026
- summer 2026
- fall 2026
- winter 2027
- spring 2027
- summer 2027
- fall 2027
- winter 2028
- spring 2028
- summer 2028
- Other: _____

Have you **completed your bachelor's degree** in another institution? (you will not be eliglble for this program) *

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No
- ◯ Other: _____

Are you **currently enrolled at a four-year university/ college** while also taking classes at Foothill College? (you will not be eliglble for this program) *

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No
- ◯ Other: _____

About You

Description (optional)

Are you **18 and over**? You must be 18 and over to be eligible for the FLI-SLI STEM Paid Internships

- ( ) Yes, I am currently 18 and over.
- ( ) I will be 18 by the time this internship starts on July 6, 2026.
- ( ) I am not 18 or I will not be over 18 by the start of the internship.

Are you a first-generation college goer? This means that **one or both parents did not finish a bachelor's degree in the U.S. or another country.** This does NOT refer to your immigration status to the U.S. *

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Other: _____

Share a time **when being a first-generation college goer affected your educational experience** (one paragraph). If you are not a first-generation college goer, please just write "not applicable" in the space provided. *

Long answer text

Do you consider yourself low-income? Please review this guideline document before checking off your status for this item. *

Please note that we will check your financial aid status at Foothill as part of our review process. It is to your benefit to fill out the FAFSA or CA Dream Act to officially receive financial aid to prove eligibility for this program (and hopefully you can get some financial aid!).

If you do not receive state or federal financial aid, you are highly rencouraged to answer the question after this one (which is optional) to explain your financial situation.

- ( ) Yes, I consider myself low-income, and I am receiving financial aid through Foothill College
- ( ) Yes, I consider myself low-income, but I am not receiving financial aid through Foothill College.
- ( ) I don't consider myself low-income.
- ( ) Other: _____

Please **explain your financial situation** - whether you marked that you are low-income above or not (one paragraph). This is your chance to explain your financial situation, especially if you do not receive financial aid or assistance. This question is optional to answer.

Long answer text _____

Please mark if any of the following apply to you - this section is voluntary. *

- [ ] Black/ African American
- [ ] Latinx/ Hispanic
- [ ] Native American
- [ ] person with disabilities
- [ ] undocumented student
- [ ] international student
- [ ] none of these apply to me
- [ ] Other: _____

Required Attachments

Description (optional)

RESUME: Please upload a copy of your resume. If you've never done a resume, check out this website that has templates and guidance on creating a resume. *Please upload as a PDF.* If you're not sure how to do that, here is a video to show you how to convert Google Docs into a PDF. *

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TRANSCRIPT: Please upload a **copy of your most recent unofficial transcript** from Foothill (including fall 2025 grades). If you don't know how to do that, go to MyPortal --> Student Registration --> see two options under My Records - View my Unofficial Transcript. *Please upload as a PDF.* *

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PERSONAL STATEMENT: Upload your response to this question: Write an essay that tells us about yourself and your background. Describe a significant life challenge (financial, personal, etc.) you faced and how you addressed it. Be specific about your academic and career goals, and how this internship would help you meet those goals. Explain why you are interested in an internship at this point in your journey. *

Word count - not to exceed 600 words. Good rule of thumb - aim for 3/4 - a full page, single spaced. Make sure to use paragraphs! Do not copy and paste directly from an AI chatbot - it's important for us to hear YOUR VOICE.

Please upload as a PDF. If you're not sure how to do that, here is a video to show you how to convert Google Docs into a PDF.

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First and last name of a reference - someone who knows you who well who is not a friend or a relative. This can be a faculty member, former teacher, advisor, counselor, mentor, etc.

This person DOES NOT need to write a recommendation letter. Instead, they may be contacted to provide some information about you. Make sure you let them know in advance that you are writing them down as a reference.

Short answer text

Reference's **email** address *

Short answer text

Reference's **relationship** to you (cannot be a relative, friend,

- [ ] College instructor/ professor
- [ ] High school teacher/ advisor/ counselor
- [ ] Employeer/ boss/ job supervisor
- [ ] Mentor
- [ ] Counselor
- [ ] Other: _____

If Accepted...

Description (optional)

There will be several events and activities related to the summer internship that require in person attendance. Will you be able to attend in-person activities at Foothill College in July and August 2026? These in-person activities include a training on Monday June 29 and four biweekly seminars on Fridays in July and August.

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No
- ◯ Other: _____

Are you planning on taking any summer courses at Foothill, De Anza, or anywhere else? Taking an in-person summer course will make it nearly impossible to have an SLI internship. An online summer course would be manageable. *

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ Maybe
- ◯ No
- ◯ Other: _____

Wrapping Up

Description (optional)

How did you hear about this opportunity? *

- [ ] Email from SLI
- [ ] Teacher announcement
- [ ] SLI website
- [ ] SLI Instagram
- [ ] MESA Instagram
- [ ] From a friend
- [ ] Classroom presentation by SLI students or staff
- [ ] Other: _____

Please mark if any of the following apply to you *

- [ ] I have applied for the FLI-SLI summer internship before.
- [ ] I have never had an internship or research experience before.
- [ ] None of the above apply to me.

Please read the following statements and check off to show your agreement for each statement. Please answer honestly. *

- [ ] I have answered all the questions above truthfully and honestly.
- [ ] I have not directly copied and pasted from an AI assistant for any of the questions.
- [ ] This application reflects my authentic self.

Joining the SLI e-newsletter list

SLI sends out a weekly newsletter of internships, scholarships, events, and other STEM opportunities both at Foothill and beyond. Please join this newsletter for more information on a weekly basis: https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/8CoLErM/sli

Please leave any comments or additional information about yourself here. If you have any questions, please email them directly to Sophia Kim at kimsophia@fhda.edu.

Paragraph

Long answer text

Required