February 20, 2018

1. **Summer/Fall 2018 Advisement, Feb. 26 - Mar. 9**
   Advisement for the upcoming summer and fall semesters will begin Monday, February 26 and run through March 9. Students should come to College Hall 106 to sign up for an advisement appointment with their assigned adviser. All students must be advised to be cleared for registration. Open registration for all students will begin March 5 with priority registration beginning March 1 & 2 for veterans, fully online programs, Honors College students, and graduate students.
   More information about advisement can be found via our website at [https://www.usm.edu/school-of-journalism-and-media-studies/academic-advisement](https://www.usm.edu/school-of-journalism-and-media-studies/academic-advisement).

2. **Summer/Fall Graduation Application Deadlines**
   Planning to graduate this summer or fall term? If so you must have your application printed and submitted by the following deadline to avoid any late fees:
   - **Summer Deadline**: April 1st
   - **Fall Deadline**: July 1st
   If you do not plan to take classes over the summer at Southern Miss we recommend you complete your degree application prior to leaving in May if you plan to graduate in the fall. More information regarding the graduation application process is available on the [Registrar's website](https://www.usm.edu/registrar) under "Students."

3. **3rd Annual LAB Student Career Workshop- February 24**
   The 3rd Annual LAB Student Career Workshop is Saturday morning, February 24th at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans. An impressive panel of industry professionals are eager to share their experiences, insights and counsel. To date, we have students registered from 14 colleges and
universities across Louisiana and Mississippi, but none of USM. Registration is easy and can be accessed via this link: [http://bit.ly/2EvGapu](http://bit.ly/2EvGapu).

4. The Lagrant Foundation 2018 Scholarship Program- February 28
is currently accepting applications for its [2018 Scholarship Program](http://bit.ly/2EvGapu). Ethnic minority college students pursuing careers in advertising, marketing, public relations or graphic design are eligible to apply. For consideration, students must complete and submit their application by Wednesday, February 28, 2018 5:00 PM PST. If you have any further questions regarding the scholarship program, please feel free to email carmenhuerta@lagrant.com or christopherjuarez@lagrant.com.

5. Aramark Internship- March 1
Aramark is looking for a marketing intern with excellent work ethic and leadership skills.

Here are a couple of specific qualifications I am looking for:

- Marketing / Communications Major
- Strong communication skills required (both oral and written).
- Graphic design experience. Must be able to work in illustrator, and adobe programs
- Effective sales and presentation skills are also required.

For any interested inquiries, please email Lauren Brescher at brescher-lauren@aramark.com or call 601-266-4296.

6. Marketing and Communications Specialist Needed at MS Coast Chamber in Gulfport-March 2
Applications are now being accepted for the Marketing and Communication Specialist for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce, Inc. Interested parties should send a resume, cover letter, and three professional references to info@mscoastchamber.com or mail to Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 11975 Seaway Road, Gulfport, MS, 39503.

7. Backpacking with a Purpose Applications Now Open!- March 8
Operation Groundswell is a non-profit that runs travel, community service, and experiential education programs around the globe. We dig into social justice issues while working in solidarity with local activists, non-profits, and communities. We want you to join us in the fight for a better world. It’s time to make the whole world your classroom! Apply by March 8th. Programs are filling up quickly, so apply as soon as possible. Financial assistance is available for all students on five- and six-week programs. Start exploring at [www.operationgroundswell.com](http://www.operationgroundswell.com)

8. Production Assistant Opportunity- March 16
FloSports is a streaming service with an upcoming event scheduled in Hattiesburg. The day rate is $150.

Title: 2018 WGI Percussion/Winds South Power Regional (Marching)
Production Company: FloSports
Rate: Full Rate

Travel Details: Applicant must be local to the city listed on the job

The production assistant must be able to help setup and run a live webcast of the 2018 WGI Percussion/Winds South Power Regional in Hattiesburg, MS.

This individual must be running cabling, staging computers, monitoring camera operators, running errands, inventory, packing up equipment, and whatever else is necessary.

Applicant must have great attention to detail and be able to lift 75 lbs. Call times are as follows (subject to change):

Friday March 16 @ TBD (setup)
Saturday March 17 @TBD
Sunday March 18 @TBD

$150/12

For more information, please visit https://staffmeup.com/jobs/Production-Assistant-Hattiesburg-MS-Sports-%28TV%29-251212/apply

9. Seacrest Studios

The Ryan Seacrest Foundation (RSF) is a nonprofit organization that works to uplift the spirits of hospitalized children through multimedia broadcast centers in the best pediatric hospitals in the country. Seacrest Studios opened in July 2013 at Levine Children’s Hospital (LCH) in Charlotte, NC. Thanks to the Ryan Seacrest Foundation, patients at Levine Children’s Hospital now have the ability to explore the creative realms of radio, television, and new media right from their hospital rooms. We are one of just a handful of children’s hospitals nationwide to have this resource available for our patients and families. It is our goal at Seacrest Studios at LCH to create happy memories for patients and their families during their hospital stay. You can find more information at http://bit.ly/25NNKHc

Internship Program Guidelines

The internship at Seacrest Studios is a part of LCH’s volunteer program and looks for dedicated college radio/television broadcast students that have interest in the communication/journalism field. Seacrest Studios provides students with a chance to learn how to run a radio/TV station. Interns are required to create their own on-air shows and content with the interest of their audience in mind. Interns gain experience working with studio equipment as well as conducting on-air interviews.

Seacrest Studios has regular visits from celebrities passing through town. It is important that interns hold a professional attitude during these visits and interviews. Interns must remember that the guest is here for the patients and their entertainment and work to ensure the experience is a happy and exciting one.

It is the job of the interns to create a family-friendly environment by producing and hosting on-air games and activities. Some of the studio’s current activities include lip sync battles, dance battles, bingo, karaoke, video production, semester music videos, celebrity interviews, and many more. These activities provide entertainment for the patients and distract them from what they are facing during their stay at the hospital. Interns regularly interact with the hospital’s patients one-on-one and must understand how to interact with them, no matter their medical condition. The Seacrest Studios Internship is meant to be fun; however, it is important for interns to remember what their purpose is...
within the studio and the hospital. Interns are expected to act professionally in regards to their responsibilities.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Attendance on the day(s) and time they are scheduled.

Follow Seacrest Studios business casual dress code.

Engage appropriately with patients and their families.

Participate with other studio interns to better work as a team.

- Give their undivided attention to the internship while on the hospital grounds.
- Produce age appropriate material to use on-air and in the studio.
- Research games, activities, and news material for show segments in weekly radio program.
- Hold a professional attitude when guests are present in the studio.
- Step outside of their comfort zone.
- Serve as host/hostess for children visiting the studio.
- Work with patients as necessary per direction from the nursing and appropriate staff.
- Act as personality/DJ and producer/asst producer during program.

**REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

Send cover letter and resume to meredith.dean@carolinashealthcare.org.

- Attend Seacrest Studios Orientation and Volunteer Orientation.
- Must be at least 18 years old. Successfully complete a background check.
- Must be currently enrolled in an accredited college/university working toward a degree in communications or closely related field.
- Enthusiastic, positive, and outgoing personality.
- Interest in interacting with children including participating directly in the related arts and crafts, games, and activities.
- Ability to encourage children to participate in the radio program.
- Dependable, responsible, and detail-oriented.
- Must be able to work as a member of a program team.
- Knowledge of common hardware and software related to radio and television broadcasting.

**PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Comfortable with public speaking.
- Acting, music, dance, and other performance experience.
- Previous radio and TV production experience.
- Experience working with and supervising children in varied situations.
- Bilingual skills.
Can obtain college credit for the internship.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS:
Interns will work a morning shift from 10a-1p and Afternoon shift from 2-5p.
Interns are permitted three (3) excused absences in the summer semester and (5) excused absences in the fall/spring semester. An excused absence is one approved at least 48 hours in advance.
Interns exhibiting symptoms such as excessive sneezing or coughing that is not related to allergies are not permitted and should remain home until symptom free. Interns must notify supervisor of a sickness as quickly as possible.
Sick absences are intended to protect patients from further exposure to contagious illnesses.
Medical issues extending more than three (3) days require a signed note from a physician.
Three (3) unexcused absences will result in termination of the intern.
Interns are expected to work their full shift. Any early departures must be pre-approved by the studio coordinator.
Interns are expected to arrive within 5 minutes of his/her shift start time and be ready to begin. Arrival beyond this time is considered late. Contact the studio coordinator immediately if you expect to be more than 10 minutes late.

10. Communications Chair Needed for USM Horticulture Club
The USM Horticulture Club is seeking any green-minded Mass Comm. students to fill the role of Communications chair for their Southern Miss Community Garden (SMCG) project. Through this opportunity you will have the chance to gain community service hours, build your portfolio and résumé, and impact your community in a major way. The Communications Chair for the group will serve as the admin for all SMCG social media platforms, assist in event coordination, design promotional materials, and implement public relations strategies. Experience with Adobe Creative Suite is greatly desired.
If you are interested in this valuable experience, contact Horticulture Club President Sara Watts at sara.watts@usm.edu.

11. Alternative Service Break – March 10-13
Alternative Service Break (ASB) trips provide USM students with a low-cost alternative to the traditional Fall and Spring breaks and offers an opportunity to travel to a different region, perform meaningful service, and explore an area’s culture and history. Service activities are combined with reflection and education that challenge students to develop the leadership, teamwork, and problem-solving skills necessary to become real advocates of change.
This Spring Break, the University of Southern Mississippi will partner with Delta Hands for Hope in Shaw, MS to work on various community service projects around the Mississippi Delta. Students will work with Kids Camp and with an after-school program ran by the Presentation Sisters. We will also tour the BB King Museum and the Grammy Museum. The cost of this trip will be $50, which will cover the cost of transportation, food, and lodging. Visit usm.edu/cce for more information and volunteer opportunities.