The Landscape Architecture Program at the University of Michigan provides a valuable link between classroom/studio learning and the world of design practice by helping students gain experience. We sponsor a one-week unpaid “internship” during spring break for 2nd and 3rd year MLA students interested in learning more about the practice of landscape architecture.

The host firm is asked to expose the student to the working world of landscape architecture, providing the student with a variety of activities to learn more about his/her intended profession.

Some typical activities that host firms can schedule for the student during the week:

- Shadow a landscape architect
- Sit in on staff and/or client meetings
- Go on site visits
- Assist with working drawings or building models
- Meet with different landscape architects to discuss the firm’s work and the profession

The student is responsible for travel expenses to and from the internship city, living expenses for the week, and transportation to and from the firm. Most students request placement in a city where they have relatives or friends to minimize the cost. The host firm is not under any obligation to compensate the student.

If you are being contacted directly, one of our students has identified your firm as a top interest. You will receive a copy of the student’s resume and if your firm agrees to participate, we will put the student in direct contact with you to make all of the necessary arrangements. By mid-February, the student will call the office to verify arrival time and any other necessary details with the person in the firm designated to coordinate the visit.

If you are interested in participating in the spring break internship program, or if you need more information, please contact:

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