

## Come Join our True Vision Internship Program!

Dear Prospective Intern:

The most valuable, worthwhile and rewarding time you can spend is the time spent giving to others. Becoming an intern requires dedication, responsibility, and a true desire to help others. Not only do internships benefit those you are helping, it also provides you with official internship hours to include on your college application, resume, and job applications. A student who has solid internship background along with a high academic record is truly impressive. Thus, interning serves several important purposes for you. Whether you have experience with interning or are considering it for the first time, Blind Start of America (BLINDSTART) non-profit organization may be exactly what you are looking for.

Here at BLINDSTART we have worked with countless interns over the past years. Our interns have enjoyed working with the blind/visually impaired community and were given a wide variety of experiences. More importantly, they have sharpened their skills and learned about taking responsibility and initiative. We now offer you the same opportunities through our True Vision Internship Program. Eligible and committed interns may earn recommendation letters, awards, paid positions and even scholarships.

Although we would like to be able to extend an internship position to everyone, it is important that we maintain the highest level of standards within our internship program, which has limited openings. Thus, we must select only those who show high prospects in becoming the dedicated role models that we need. We are looking for bright, committed, well-rounded, service-oriented and ethical young leaders. Please consider this carefully as you fill out our Internship Application and review the information provided. Thank you for your interest and we look forward to having you join our team!

Sincerely,



Brian C. Tom

President

**True Vision Internship Program**  
**Standard of Excellence**

**Requirements:**

- Time commitment of at *least* 5 hours per week
- *Minimum* cumulative GPA of 3.0

**Benefits:**

- Eligible for:
  - Letter of recommendation
  - Scholarship
  - Paid position
- Gain leadership skills
- Enhance your resume
- Meet other motivated peers

# True Vision Internship Program

## Points & Award System

### Point System

(Deemed by total internship hours)

#### BRONZE LEVEL

- Complete **100** internship hours
- Receive letter of recommendation for college and future employment

#### SILVER LEVEL

- Complete **180** internship hours
- Eligible for scholarship

#### GOLD LEVEL

- Complete **280** internship hours
- Eligible for paid position

### Scholarships Available

**True Vision Scholar:** This scholarship is awarded to the most well rounded student. A True Vision Scholar candidate will have an excellent GPA, SAT scores, honors/AP courses, participate in extra-curricular activities, and exemplify excellence in volunteer work. Furthermore, this intern should also be an exemplary role model for younger students. The person considered for this award is one who truly has a vision for their future and the future of those they help. A minimum GPA of 3.5 is required for consideration. True Vision Scholar winners will receive a \$250 scholarship, certificate, and special recognition.

## True Vision Internship Application

### Applicant Information (Please Print)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
LAST FIRST M.I. (MM/DD/YYYY)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY ZIP CODE

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Availability

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Please Check semesters of availability:

Fall  Spring  Summer  Other, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list Availability	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning (10AM-1PM)						
Afternoon (1PM-5PM)						
Evening (5PM-9PM)						

	YES	NO
Are you certified in CPR?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are you certified in First Aid?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have a reliable means of transportation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will you be willing to travel?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Education and Skills**

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High School/College \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\* PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR TRANSCRIPTS FOR GPA VERIFICATION\*

Level (High School/College):  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior  Graduate Student

Which AP/Honors courses have you taken and what grades did you receive?

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What campus or community organizations are you involved in?

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Do you hold any positions of leadership or office? If so, please list:

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Please list any awards, scholarships, or special achievements you have received:

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Do you speak any other languages?  Yes  No If yes, please list language(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fluent  Semi-Fluent  Basic

Please list any Computer Skills/Software Used:

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What academic subjects can you confidently teach/tutor? (Example: Science, Chemistry, Biology, etc.)

Math: \_\_\_\_\_ Science: \_\_\_\_\_  
English: \_\_\_\_\_ V&P Arts: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Studies: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Employment/Volunteer History

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PLEASE LIST ANY PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE, STARTING WITH THE MOST RECENT.

1. Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates Employed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Duties Performed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Reason for Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates Employed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Duties Performed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Reason for Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_

## Q&A

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\*PLEASE KEEP ANSWERS BRIEF. ANSWER TRUTHFULLY AND TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY\*

1. How has a previous experience, whether professional or personal, influenced your ability to be a role-model?

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2. What award level (Bronze, Silver, Gold) do you plan to achieve and by what date?

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3. How did you hear about our Internship Program?

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4. Why are you interested in an internship with our organization?

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5. What specific experiences would you like to gain through this internship?

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6. Describe your long-term career goals:

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## Areas of Interest

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\*Which organization and positions would you be interested in participating in? Please rank the organization in order of preference and check all positions that interest you.\*

RANK

\_\_\_ **California Educational Centers Inc. (CEC)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Aid                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Media (photography, graphic design, & video) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional Assistant                        |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations<br>(Social Media, Press Kits) |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Client Relations                               |   |

RANK

\_\_\_ **Blind Start of America (BLINDSTART)**

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Aid   | <input type="checkbox"/> Events                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer coordination   | <input type="checkbox"/> Client Relations                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising  | <input type="checkbox"/> Media (photography, graphic design, & video) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations<br>(Newsletter Production, Social Media & Press Kits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing                                    |

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I authorize investigation of all statements contained herein and understand that any misrepresentation of information stated is cause for dismissal. I agree to perform all duties assigned to me in a timely, responsible and professional manner. I understand that failure to do so may result in termination of my position.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_