

# The Bonner Program: Summer Placements

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# Summer Service: Overview

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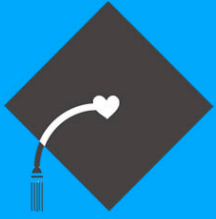
**Description**



## Summer Service: Description

*Summer placements are:*

- **Full-time** for at least **seven (7) weeks**
- **280 hours** (*300 hrs for AmeriCorps*)
- Include **financial compensation** (stipend, Education Award, etc.)



# Summer Service: Expectations

## **Bonner Scholars**

*Required to do at least two Summers of Service*

## **Bonner Leaders**

*Summer of Service strongly encouraged  
(some programs require; find additional funds)*



# Summer Service: Types of Placements

## **First Summer**

Close to home or school,  
commuting to familiar site

## **Second Summer**

More intensive, perhaps  
living in a new area

## **Third Summer**

Making career  
connections, potentially  
going abroad



# Summer Service: How it Fits in with Student Development

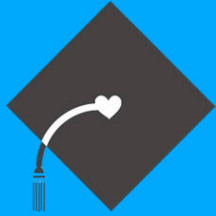
- Continuing service and development **beyond school year**
- Serving in a **full-time capacity**
- **Skill-building**
  - *Personal:* Reflection, Goal Setting, Time Management
  - *Leadership:* Working with Diverse Groups, Teamwork
  - *Professional:* Networking, Resume-Building, Career Connections



# **Summer Service:** Potential for Life-Changing Experience

- Local, national, and international experiences
- Networking
- Career-building
- Skill-building

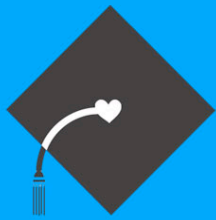




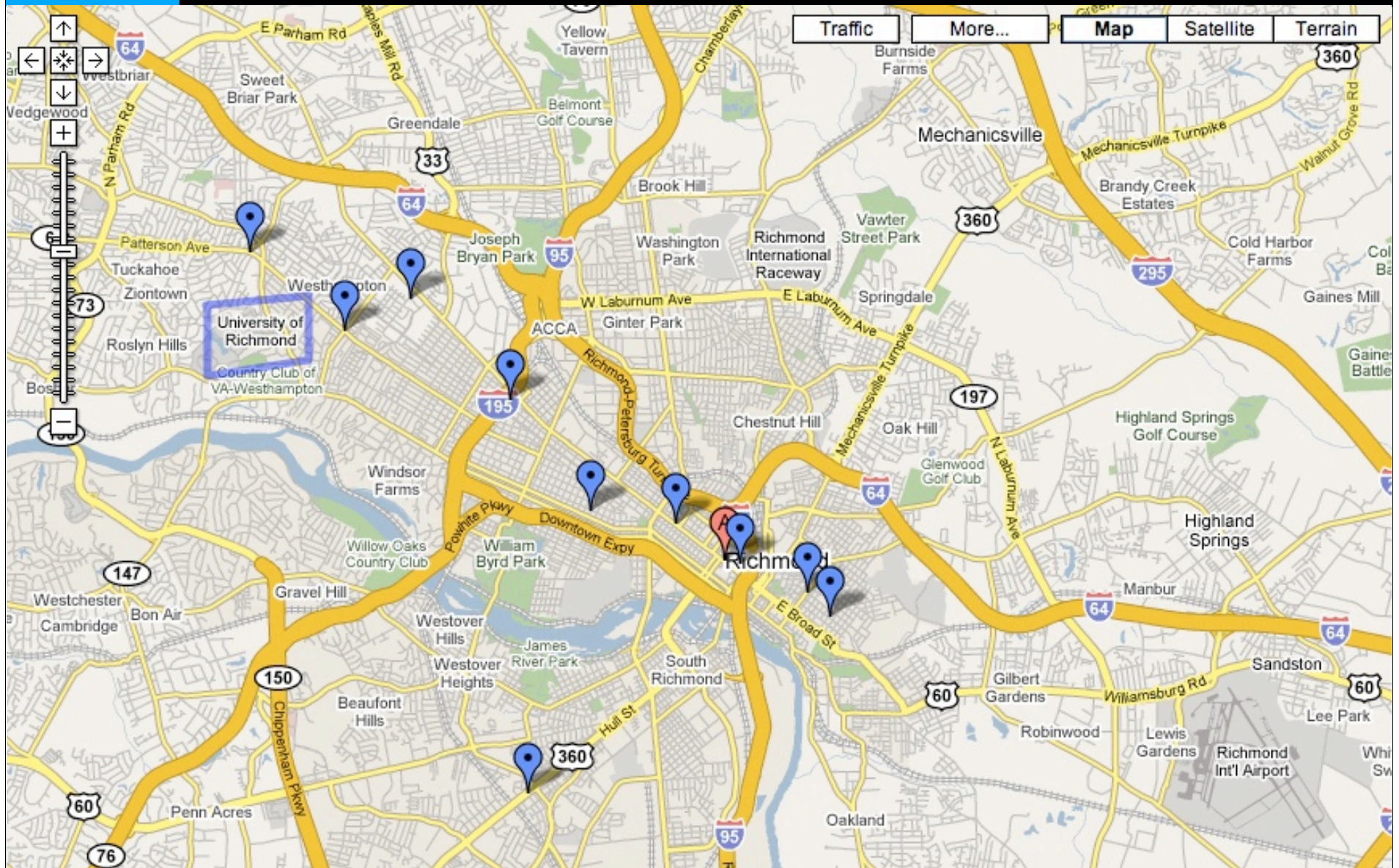
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# Planning



# Summer Service: To-Do List & Timeline

## Jan/Feb

- Summer Service Packet handed out; Bonners research on site options, discuss interests in one-on-one meetings

## March/Apr

- Summer Service Application due
- Bonner Coordinator contacts summer service sites to confirm placement

## May

- Bonner Scholar Summer Earning Stipends disbursed

## June

- Summer CLAs due

## August

- Summer Hour Logs/Site Evaluations due

## September

- Bonner Scholar Summer Service Earning Stipends disbursed
- Discuss summer service experience in first class or monthly meeting
- Add new service sites and student reflections to the Summer Service Binder



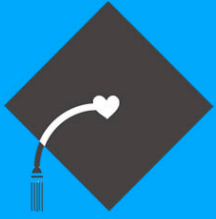
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## Site Approval Form

- *Part I: Summer Service Information Sheet*
- *Part II: Summer Site Validation Checklist*
- *Part III: Summer Service Placement Application*

## Site Evaluation Form

## Reflection Guide



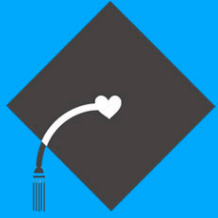
# Summer Service: Reflection & Sharing Back on Campus

## Reflections based on meeting type:

- **All-Bonner:** bridging summer service experiences with advocacy and awareness in campus and community
- **Class-Based:** conversations relative to their place in the student development model
- **One-on-One:** mapping out how to connect their summer service to their traditional service site and relevant training & enrichment opportunities

# Resources





# Summer Service: Bonner Partners Database

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## Bonner Partners Program

- Background
- How Partners Get Involved
- Application Form
- Search Database of Bonner Partners

Organization Name:

City:

State:

Issue Area:

Partner Opportunities:

Previously hosted a Bonner Intern?:  Yes

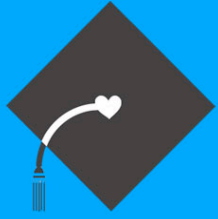
Stipend Provided?:  Yes

Room and/or Board Provided?:  Yes

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# Summer Service: Idealist.org — *Internship Database*



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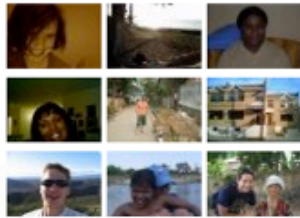
 

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## Find Internships

Fill out **one or more** of the fields below.  
Filling more than one field will [narrow your search](#).

**Keywords:**  
Searches only the description field of listings and profiles.

**Area of Focus:**

**Country:**  
Select Virtual from the drop-down menu if you are searching for an opportunity that is available online or can be conducted remotely.

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**City or Town:**

**Postal Code:**

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- All internships
- Nonprofit only

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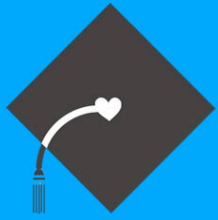
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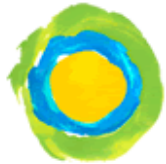
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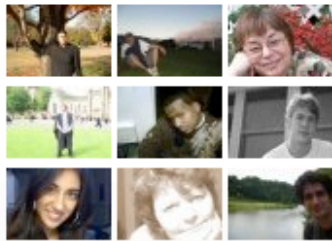
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### » History

Get a sense of the people and the efforts that have gone before you.

### » Examples of Campus Programs

Need some inspiration? Check out these successful student-powered initiatives.

### » Sources of Funding

From general fundraising and philanthropy advice to ideas for financing a year abroad.

### » Study, Work, or Volunteer Abroad

Spend some time in another country, and make a difference while you're there.

### » Careers and Fellowships

Not sure what you'll do after graduation? Channel your passion for social justice work into a meaningful vocation.

### » Networks and Organizations

Find groups of students and youth working for a better world across the globe.

### » Mapping, Networking and Dialogue

Link up with like-minded folks.

### » Downloadable Workshops

Totally free and easily modified to fit the needs of your student group.

### » Socially Responsible Living

How can you and your campus have a positive impact on the planet?

### » News You Can Use

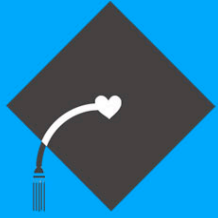
Deepen your understanding of topics relating to organizing, activism, service, and the not-for-profit sector.

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### Defining Internships

#### What is an internship?

An internship is a short-term experiential work opportunity that allows you to build professional skills and contacts while involving you in substantive responsibilities for an organization. Internships are not the only type of experiential learning opportunities. Others include:

- Research Opportunities
- Externships: Short-term exposure to a career field
- Summer jobs
- Service learning
- Volunteer Work
- Part-time jobs (on-campus part-time jobs through the **Student Employment Office**)

#### Questions to Ask Yourself & Benefits of the Internship

Before you begin to search for internship opportunities, ask yourself this question: what is your mission? What do you hope to gain from your internship experience? Is your internship a vehicle to be used to:

- Base a decision on for an academic major?

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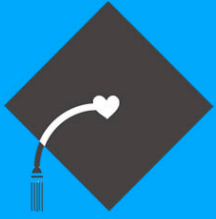


Burhans Civic Fellowships



**Student Employment Office**

# Reflections



## Summer Service: The Student's Experience



**Kate Simma**

Bonner Scholar  
University of Richmond, 2009  
Hometown: Austin, TX

**Service Site:** Mil Solidarios; Asunción, Paraguay

**"I have been teaching English classes, working on a micro-enterprise of jewelry and jam with some of the mothers of the students and also, am now focusing on creating advertising materials for the organization. It has been an incredible experience and I will always remember the children and women I have worked with this summer."**





# Summer Service: The Director's Experience

**Donna Russell**  
*Director of Bonner  
Scholar Program  
at Oberlin College*

