The Career Center is committed to supporting summer internships for Carls, especially during the most challenging times. We are actively monitoring what internship employers are doing across the country. Recent polling data from the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE), an industry organization for college career centers and recruiters, suggests that upwards of 80% of internship providers are actively making changes to how their summer programs will run. Changes include converting internships into remote work experiences, delaying start dates to later in the summer or into next year, and even cancelling entire internship programs outright this year.

We know how important it is for students to gain tangible experiences through an internship as they progress in their career advancement processes. At this time, we anticipate Carleton will continue to provide funding for unpaid and underpaid internships with some modifications to the eligibility of sites and experiences. The college is still working on specific details to prioritize health and safety considerations for students and their internship hosts.

Some students have told us their summer internship offers have been withdrawn. The Career Center is in regular communication with our community and employer partners about summer internship opportunities that are still available. If your employer is, or you know of organizations that are still hiring summer interns, please let us know by email at recruiting@carleton.edu. We would love to promote your summer internship positions to current students!

While we recognize the pandemic will have an impact on students’ immediate professional development, we are exploring ways Carls can develop workforce skills outside of a formal internship this summer. Our Career Center team is identifying some practical ways for students to be self-directed in their continued career exploration, to connect with the supportive alumni network, and to build industry-related skills through partnerships with employers. Carls are creative and adaptable individuals, and the Career Center will continue to support their growth this summer and beyond.

COVID-19 updates and FAQs

Questions about Carleton’s response to COVID-19 or information about specific policies that affect your student on- or off-campus can be found on this website. We’re compiling information, including the most recent messages from college leadership and answers to your frequently asked questions. The FAQs for students are regularly updated as the situation evolves, and we recommend that parents check it every few days.

Carleton Alumni Digital Community launches

Carleton alumni are among the most devoted in the country! We recently launched a digital community to bring all of our digital content into one space, and provide ways for alumni to help and support current students. Parents are welcome to join the Carleton Alumni Digital Community LinkedIn group to connect current students with job opportunities you may know of, and we invite you to take part in a blossoming Carleton tradition by signing up to send virtual Friday Flowers to a Carl’s inbox.

Looking for a way to stay up to date on what’s going on in the Carleton community? Subscribe to The Carletonian, Carleton’s student-run newspaper, or its new newsletter, The Distance.