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For many years now, the Connecticut Network has prided itself on its program of educational outreach, bringing the CT-N experience and the inner workings of state government to high school and middle school classrooms. Less commonly known is that college students can make their own forays into the CT-N operation to learn more about what the network does. In fact, the Connecticut Network internship program has been a popular, if specialized educational initiative targeted to our state's universities and community/technical colleges almost since the network's inception.

A wide variety of learning opportunities are available for a college student at CT-N. The organization has hosted scores of interns over the years, ranging in majors from television production and communications to journalism and political science. Most alumni would agree that it was an experience they could not have found anywhere else.

An outside observer would have difficulty distinguishing our interns from regular staff, because for the time they're here, they get treated like regular staff. A CT-N internship is not altogether without its clerical or grunt work, but for the most part interns work side by side with network regulars as producers, production technicians and archivists. They travel with crews on field shoots and play active roles in bringing CT-N's award-winning telecast to air. In the process, they earn a valuable education in government, politics and TV production, as well as the experience of working with a team of professionals in a fast-paced environment.

Many graduates of CT-N's internship program have gone on to even greater things, including the Connecticut General Assembly's own Legislative Internship Program. Others have returned after completing their education to join CT-N's permanent staff. Across the board, Connecticut Network's interns have helped to infuse the organization with a constant stream of new ideas and enthusiasm as they gain insight into their democracy.

CT-N is available full-time on expanded basic cable statewide. Visit ct-n.com to find the channel location for the network in your community or to watch online. All Connecticut Network programming is closed captioned for the hearing impaired.

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