

INTERN SUCCESS STORY



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I was hoping to find an Information Security internship while I finished my last semester of school.

When I came across the opportunity for an internship at the Comptroller's office, I jumped at the chance. I honestly didn't know much about the Comptroller's office prior to applying, but the more I learned through research and my interview process, the more excited I was. I'll admit that before I started, I was worried my expectations might be set a little high, but it turns out I had nothing to worry about. The internship blew away all my expectations by checking all the boxes I was hoping for and more.

From day one I felt welcome and was a valuable member of the team.

I was also pleasantly surprised at the diversity of challenges I was able to contribute to and learn from. As a technical risk analyst intern, I was able to assist with a variety of engaging work. One of my first assignments was to help secure our network, and while that task can be a never-ending challenge, I felt proud to be able to contribute in a real and tangible way. It was more fulfilling than the usual uninspired labs in school. I was also able to help with other ongoing projects in the pipeline and in areas such as incident response, pen testing and research.

On top of the exciting work, the people were the real icing on the cake. It was a pleasure to be able to work with such a wonderful group and organization. Everyone I interacted with always took the time to answer all my questions, provide great feedback and point me in the right direction when needed.

When my internship was over, my efforts didn't go unnoticed as I was offered a full-time position.

I could not have been happier to accept the role as a technical risk analyst for the Comptroller's office. In my experience it's not always easy to find such rewarding work along with such a great people who you enjoy working with every day to solve problems.



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I'm truly grateful I lucked out with my internship at the Comptroller's office. I can't imagine a better place to grow personally and professionally while also getting the opportunity to serve the great people and state of Texas.