Are you Career Ready?
Developing skills within these key areas will prepare you for a successful transition into your career. Info provided by NACE - National Association of Colleges and Employers.

**Critical Thinking**
Analyze issues, make decisions, and overcome problems

*What does it look like?*
The intern is able to obtain, interpret, and use knowledge, facts, and data.

*Example Learning Objective:*
By creating quotes and invoices, I will improve upon my critical thinking skills, as evidenced by producing thorough and accurate reports on a weekly basis.

**Oral/Written Communications**
Articulate thoughts and ideas clearly and effectively in written and oral form

*What does it look like?*
The intern has public-speaking skills, is able to express ideas to others, and can write/edit complex technical reports clearly and effectively.

*Example Learning Objective:*
I will be able to develop my communication skill as evidenced by producing a clear and comprehensive document that my colleagues can understand and follow.

**Teamwork**
Build collaborative relationships with colleagues and customers

*What does it look like?*
The intern is able to work within a team structure, can negotiate, and manage conflict.

*Example Learning Objective:*
By collaborating with the other interns and staff members, I will improve upon my teamwork skills by successfully facilitating a group project.

**Digital Technology**
Select and use appropriate technology to accomplish a given task

*What does it look like?*
The intern is able to apply computing skills to solve problems.

*Example Learning Objective:*
By using design software, I will be able to develop my technological skills by creating promotional flyers and brochures that meet design standards.
Leadership
Leverage others' strengths to achieve common goals and use interpersonal skills to coach and develop others.

What does it look like?
The intern is able to assess and manage his/her emotions and those of others; use empathetic skills to guide motivate, organize, prioritize, and delegate work.

Example Learning Objective:
By managing the volunteers, I will improve upon my leadership skills by delegating relevant tasks to volunteers that results in a smoothly run event.

Professionalism/Work Ethic
Demonstrate personal accountability and effective work habits

What does it look like?
The intern demonstrates integrity and ethical behavior, acts responsibly with the interests of the larger community in mind and is able to learn from his/her mistakes.

Example Learning Objective:
By participating in regular staff meetings, I will demonstrate my professionalism by always arriving on time, dressed appropriately, and contributing in a constructive manner.

Career Management
Identify and articulate one's skills, strengths, knowledge, and experiences

What does it look like?
The intern is able to navigate and explore job options that relate to his/her skills and goals, takes the necessary steps to pursue opportunities, and understands how to self-promote in the workplace.

Example Learning Objective:
By attending network events, I will approach others to identify a particular position of interest and conduct a follow-up informational interview.

Global Intercultural Fluency
Value, respect, and learn from diverse cultures, races, ages, genders, sexual orientations, and religions

What does it look like?
The intern demonstrates openness, inclusiveness, sensitivity, and the ability to interact respectfully with all people and understand individuals' differences.

Example Learning Objective:
By immersing myself to cultural differences, I will learn to interact differently with people based on their background, beliefs, and values.