

The Miami-Dade Police Department Student Internship Program is designed to expose students to the day-to-day operations of a major, urban law enforcement agency. Selected students will partner with police officers, detectives, crime scene investigators, sheriff's deputies, and core civilian staff in the performance of their duties, gaining vital insight and knowledge of the current and cutting edge of criminal justice administration in the United States.

The program ranges from 10 to 15 weeks in length and is open to currently enrolled undergraduate* and graduate students. Selected students will be assigned to specific units within the Department, on rotation, and will observe sworn and non-sworn personnel perform their daily duties and assignments.

The MDPD Student Internship Program is a non-paid internship. Selected students may be able to receive college credit through their institution. At the time of application, you must have at least a minimum overall 2.7 GPA and a 3.0 GPA in your major of studies. The number of credits you will earn for participating in the internship program ranges from 6 to 12 credits and depends upon your individual school and advisor.

In order to start the application process each of the below is needed:

1. Your current official college transcripts.
2. A copy of your driver's license and student identification card.
3. A 2" x 2" passport photograph.
4. Your passport and visa. (For foreign police officers/criminal justice students)
5. A criminal background check from your place of residence [this can be obtained at your local police station or sheriff's office]
6. A national criminal clearance letter (for foreign/non-U. S. students)
7. A letter of recommendation from your school's internship coordinator. If your school does not have an internship coordinator, a letter from an advisor or professor will suffice.

***** All interns are responsible for their own food and housing*****

*Undergraduate applicants must be either a junior or senior at a fully accredited college or university

When all the above listed documentation is received, an additional criminal background check will be conducted by the Department. The student must pass this background check in order to be admitted into the program. The internship is based on 8 hour shifts, Monday through Friday, and you may be scheduled for day or afternoon shifts.

Please mail your application and all required documents to the below listed address in order to begin the application process. If you have any further question, feel free to contact me.

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