

Providence School Outreach

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SPOTLIGHT INTERN: Shaniece Curry

Shaniece Curry, Providence Health and Services, Registrar Access Services gives advice to past and present interns.

Shaniece graduated from University of Oregon. She was involved in Black Lives Matter and helped start organizations at the university. She is passionate about community health organizations because she wants to reduce racial and ethnic health disparities and focus on diversity. She was also part of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. and participated in community service with her sorority. Shaniece is a first generation college student with 8 brothers and sisters. She took a medical terminology course in college that helped ease her transition into the healthcare field.



When Shaniece moved back from Eugene, Oregon she was looking to satisfy her degree requirements in Public Health by completing an internship. She looked at local hospitals and Providence satisfied those degree requirements. She liked that Providence was aligned with her educational goals and that it was a paid experience. Shaniece also completed a previous internship with Providence when she was in high school. She attended De La Salle High School where they have a Corporate Internship Program that they are required to participate in. Shaniece chose to do her Corporate Internship with Providence in the Materials Management department at the Providence Portland Medical Center location.

Shaniece was placed in the Vision Connection Department for her internship. Throughout her internship, she learned to be more comfortable in different settings and to adapt to different learning styles. She also learned to have better time management and how to deal with organizational changes. Shaniece was able to participate in five different informational interviews which helped her navigate various career paths and resources.

After her internship Shaniece was hired on with Providence, working as a Registrar for Access Services.



Have you had to overcome any challenges in your educational journey?

Oregon did not allow black people to enter Oregon when it was founded as a state. This is why there is less diversity in Oregon, even now. Shaniece has had to endure “anti-black” racism throughout her life. She has learned to speak up, raise awareness, and hopes to make the college experience better for other minorities.

What advice or information would you like to give student interns?

Shaniece’s advice to student interns is to be yourself and to not be afraid of differences in beliefs or being vocal about your beliefs.

She also urges interns to take the internship seriously, because it is a job. She advises them to network and make meaningful connections. She emphasizes the importance of doing informational interviews because they give exposure to different departments. Shanice recommends that interns build their resumes up and



ask different professionals to review them and give feedback. Reaching out to your supervisor and being vocal about your interests is also critical. Shaniece’s manager knew her interests and as a result, assigned project management

work to her. Meeting different people and making meaningful connections is a huge part of success. Shaniece’s last bit of advice is to keep your LinkedIn and your resume up to date. And if you don’t already have a LinkedIn, create a profile!