

## DESCRIPTION

The Lilly Call to Serve Reflections Internship Program is a competitive grant program that provides tuition support for students participating in cooperative education at non-profit and governmental organizations that ordinarily do not compensate interns. These experiences provide students the opportunity to discover and develop their gifts and abilities while further discerning their vocation through practical engagement. At the same time, students serve the community by applying their skills and knowledge to community-based efforts.

The grant may cover up to 1.0 credit of tuition cost. As with all cooperative education students, applicants are responsible for registering for academic credit, structuring a learning agreement with an appropriate faculty coordinator, and completing academic and work requirements. In addition, students must apply directly to the Lilly Call to Serve office to be considered for the scholarship. The application and expectations of recipients are provided in this brochure.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must:

- Be seeking an unpaid internship with a non-profit or a governmental organization.
- Register for cooperative education credit (390 course number).
- Be currently enrolled at Concordia College.
- Have completed one academic year and be either completing their degree or returning to Concordia the following semester.
- Be in good standing, both academically and with the business office.
- Not be a previous recipient of a Lilly Reflections Internship Grant.

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*“The sense of vocation grows amid participation in community. In that setting one can gain a deeper awareness of distinctive gifts, along with a deeper awareness of the needs of the surrounding society, and can learn how to use those gifts for the benefit of the community.”*

*— Darrell Jodock, “Vocation”*



## EXPECTATIONS OF RECIPIENTS

- **Vocational Reflection Essay**  
This 1500-2000 word essay is due at the completion of your internship experience. It is intended to assist you in articulating your vocational discernment process. **Note:** Your cooperative education experience is not complete until this essay is received in the Lilly Call to Serve office. Your faculty coordinator will be alerted when your essay is received.

The essay should include:

- A brief discussion of why you wanted to undertake this experience.
  - A description of your responsibilities during the internship.
  - Examples of key experiences and what was learned.
  - Discussion of what you learned about yourself and your calling through this experience. How did this experience assist you in further discerning your vocation?
  - What words of wisdom would you share with other students interested in applying for this program?
- **Lilly Reflections Internship Dinner**  
At the end of each semester, recipients will be expected to attend a special evening. This dinner will provide an opportunity for recipients to further reflect on their experience and to share their experiences with other recipients, as well as with Lilly Call to Serve Project staff and their faculty coordinators.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Visit the cooperative education office (Academy 110) to begin the process.
2. Enroll for academic credit through the cooperative education office.
3. Complete a cooperative education learning agreement in consultation with your faculty coordinator. Return completed learning agreement to the cooperative education office.
4. Complete the Lilly Reflections Internship Program application and essay. Return completed application along with a copy of your completed learning agreement to the Lilly Call to Serve office (Old Main 401).
5. Applicants will be notified of award/decline within one week of the application deadline. A copy of this letter and your application will also be forwarded to your faculty coordinator and the cooperative education office.

Deadlines for application follow the Registrar's deadlines for adding **full** semester courses.

## APPLICATION ESSAY

Please attach a 400-500 word essay that addresses the following:

- What were your vocation-related interests and expectations when you came to Concordia? How do you view your choice of major(s)/minor in relation to these interests and your abilities?
- What questions do you wish to explore now in relation to these initial expectations and interests?
- Where do you plan to complete your proposed Reflections Internship? Why did you choose this particular opportunity?
- How will the Reflections Internship Grant assist you in exploring your choice of vocation?
- Describe how this grant will enable you to do something you may not be able to do otherwise.
- What additional circumstances or information should the selection committee consider?

**APPLICATION  
for Lilly Reflections Internship Program**

Name

Student ID #

Graduation Date

Email Address

CPO Box

Telephone #

Major

Previous Lilly Call to Serve Grants?  Yes  No

What Grant?

When?

Credit from what Department

Amount of Credit

Term (Fall, Spring, Summer)

Faculty Coordinator

Cooperative Education Employer

Address of Employer

Site Supervisor

**(Please attach to essay.)**

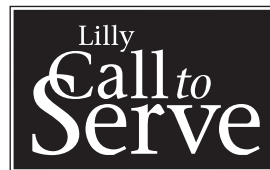
# Reflections

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



“More than a job or career, it is your special gift to humanity. Traditionally, life’s work was called ‘vocation,’ a word which literally means ‘calling.’ The work you love — your calling or life’s work — is your unique and living answer to the question, ‘What am I here to do on this earth?’”

— *Laurence G. Boldt*



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