



Criminal Justice Intern

Youth Advocate Programs (YAP), Inc. – Dallas County Preventive Services

Youth Advocate Programs (YAP) Dallas County is seeking interns from The University of Texas at Arlington's Criminal Justice Department. This internship provides students with hands-on experience supporting youth and families involved in community-based preventive services.

Primary Responsibilities

- Assist with delivering structured, prevention-focused curriculum to youth.
- Support program staff with collecting, organizing, and entering program data.
- Research and connect youth and families with helpful community resources.
- Assist with program activities, workshops, and community outreach efforts.
- Maintain confidentiality and follow all YAP policies and professional standards.
- Work collaboratively with YAP staff, youth, families, and community partners.

Preferred Qualifications

- Currently enrolled in UTA's Criminal Justice program.
- Interest in juvenile justice, youth development, prevention, or community-based services.
- Strong communication, organization, and relationship-building skills.
- Dependable, professional, and comfortable working with diverse youth and families.
- Ability to protect confidential client information.

Internship Requirement

Selected interns must complete a federal fingerprint background check. The fingerprinting fee is **\$10 and must be paid by the intern.**

To apply, complete the application below and email to: Ruben Valles at rvalles@yapinc.org within 3 weeks of the Fall and Spring semesters only.

INTERNSHIP REQUEST FOR ACADEMIC CREDIT

Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

College/University: _____

College address: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Circle Current Status: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

No. of Internship Hours Required: _____ Requested Start Date: _____

Other than English, are you fluent in any other language(s)?

_____ Requested Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. (YAP)

Internship Site:

What are your career goals? _____

Explain why you selected YAP for a potential internship experience:

All interns are required to sign confidentiality agreements and have criminal and child abuse clearances performed. Are you agreeable to this?

Yes

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No

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Interns receive academic credit and are not compensated by YAP for work performed/experiential learning. Are you agreeable to this?

Yes

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No

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Interns must complete Integrity Compliance training on the first day and additional training within the first week of the internship experience. Are you agreeable to this?

Yes

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No

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Please identify the days and hours you are available for internship experience. YAP cannot guarantee that your preferred hours can be accommodated, but it will take preferences into consideration:

Day	AM	PM
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

When completed, email application to: Ruben Valles at rvalles@yapinc.org