Partnering with MKA's Alumni Engagement Office to Secure an MKA Student Intern

In an effort to provide the best opportunities to MKA students and alumni, the Alumni Engagement office will facilitate internship outreach at the school. We are here to help navigate the process of connecting students to MKA alumni/employers for shadowing or internship opportunities. It is our goal that all internships provide a mutually beneficial experience for students and alumni as well as our employer partners. Through this initiative, we

hope to increase a student's knowledge of a professional career field through significant learning objectives. The experience should extend the classroom, providing opportunities for students to apply classroom concepts in a workplace setting. We hope to lay the foundation of being a primary resource for companies eager to hire brilliant young minds.

Kofi has been a joy to work with; writing news summaries, designing and analyzing a survey, conducting research, and doing interviews. I've given him opportunities that will allow him to use the skills he's learned at school and gain a glimpse of the world of international relations and public diplomacy. Kofi has been actively engaged and a bright light for my colleagues and me. He's inquisitive and thoughtful and gives me hope for the future.

- Paige Cottingham-Streater '79

Would you consider providing a shadowing or internship opportunity?

We are mainly looking for summer internships and May Term opportunities. May Term is a capstone project for seniors during the month of May that allows them to gain real world experience in an area of interest. May Term projects/internships vary significantly. Please note the following guidelines for a May Term or summer internship:

- It does not need to be every day; a couple of hours a day or a couple of times a week is fine.
- It is unpaid.
- It could be a "side project" you need help with, not an official internship through your company.
- It can be in-person or remote.
- It can simply be a "shadowing" experience. Shadowing
 is likely short term and could lead to an internship,
 while an internship is likely longer term and could stem
 from a shadowing experience.

You are interested in providing a shadowing or internship opportunity...now what?

- Please reach out to Madison Kilduff (mkilduff@mka.org) in the Alumni Engagement office.
- During the shadowing/internship opportunity, MKA's
 Alumni Engagement office will reach out once a week
 to see how the experience is unfolding and to support
 the company or the student if need be.
- After the shadowing/internship opportunity, the Alumni Engagement office will solicit feedback from the student and from you in order to continually improve the experience.

