

The Career Pathways Program helps students and alumni develop the professional capital they will need to achieve successful careers. Eastside students are the first in their families to go to college, and they will also be the first to enter the professional world. We have initiated the following projects to ensure that our students gain the experiences and networks to reach their full professional potential.

College Summer Internship Program

In the summer of 2011, we piloted a program that placed 10 of our alumni in professional internships in law, financial services, and technology firms in the Bay Area. Every internship supervisor gave rave reviews of the interns' work; all of the interns felt the experience was invaluable. In the summer of 2012, we are aiming to place many more interns, providing a wide array of meaningful work opportunities for our alumni.



- We are looking for companies who can hire summer college interns.

Take An Eastsider to Work Day



On March 19, 2012, we will hold a one day event for all of our high school seniors to gain professional exposure. Students will shadow a professional at one of several partner companies, asking questions, observing workplaces, and gathering information. They will then present a talk on corporate culture and workplace structure to their classmates.

- We need companies to host one or more students for the day.

Workshops and Presentations

Our motivated students are dedicated to building professional skills. Over their summer and winter breaks they attend professional development workshops on topics including resume writing, networking, interviewing skills, elevator pitches, and using LinkedIn. During the school year, presenters also visit specific classes – such as Engineering or Personal Finance – to speak with students about their industry.

- We are recruiting presenters to share their experience and perspectives.

Informational Interviews

As our students explore possible career choices, they can benefit from the insights of professionals in relevant fields. Professionals from a variety of fields can offer our students valuable guidance on coursework, career paths, and approaches for gaining connections and experience a profession.



- We are looking for individuals to hold informational interviews with students.

If you or your organization is interested in working with Eastside on any of these projects, please contact Kate Hiester, Career Pathways Program Manager: kateh@eastside.org or 650.688.0850x118.