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# 1. LEARN

Attend an info session, or make an appointment ASAP to learn about UCDC the WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE & WHY. Sessions occur year-round.



# 2. PLAN

Plan early how UCDC fits into your academic plan and budget. Consult with your academic advisor, financial aid, and UCR housing (if applicable).



### 3. APPLY

Apply to summer, fall, winter, or spring at least two quarters in advance. Deadlines are year-round. Early applicants receive priority consideration.



# 4. SEARCH\*

Utilize diverse tools and resources to search & apply to DC-based internships. Secure one before departure. Tracking internship searches & contacts is essential.



#### 5. PRE-DEPARTURE

After admission, join UCR bi-weekly cohort meetings to receive professional development bootcamp and guidance to navigate UCDC. UCDC course enrollment



#### 6. SECURE

Follow all procedures to officially secure your internship by discussing expectations with employer, UCDC, and home campus UCDC advisor. UCR 1981 course enrollment.



#### 7. DEPART

Arrive to DC to check-in during movein weekend and attend mandatory orientation the following Monday. Begin internship and coursework.



## 8. RETURN

Return to UCR. Receive grades for coursework and internship. Become a student mentor for future UCDC students and join alumni panels.







