



## **Rutgers MBS Externship Exchange** **AND** **New Jersey Big Data Alliance (NJBDA)** **Joint Remote Externship Exchange Program** **Accepting Applications Now for Spring 2023**

### **What is an Externship?**

Externships are **opportunities** for students to gain **real-world experience** in their field. Externships in this program are provided by the **Rutgers Masters in Business and Science (MBS) Externship Exchange Program** in partnership with the **New Jersey Big Data Alliance (NJBDA)** via a grant from the **US Economic Development Administration (US-EDA)**. Upon successful completion, **students are eligible for a \$2,000 fellowship**.

### **How is an Externship different from an Internship?**

- Externships are semester-long experiential learning opportunities and are completed virtually.
- The company/organization defines the scope of work to be performed by the student team.
- Students are vetted and selected to participate in the program.
- Students are engaged 8-10 hours per week remotely; 5 students will be assigned to each project.
- Each project has a Rutgers MBS Faculty Advisor and a company Mentor assigned to the team.
- Student's home institution advisor(s), and NJBDA faculty/staff are invited to attend a final presentation.
- OPT/CPT Visa limitations DO NOT apply since this is a remote, off-campus project

Note: The company partner will be located in Newark, New Jersey

### **What are requirements to participate?**

- Students must be attending an **NJBDA member college/university ([www.njbda.org](http://www.njbda.org))**
- **Students must be in their junior or senior year of their undergraduate studies & have a GPA of 3.0 +**  
**Students must have a Data Science, Business Analytics, Computer Science or related major; experience with data analytic software tools are recommended.**
- **Students must submit application and required items via the [NJBDA website](#) by 11:59 PM December 12, 2022.** Students will be asked about related courses, GPA, a personal statement indicating why they are interested in the Externship, relevant skills (Python, R, etc.); and their availability for weekly meetings.
- **Interviews will be held the week of January 9 and selected Students **must** be available to begin virtual team meetings the week of January 23 and attend virtual weekly Externship Labs on professional development topics held on Tuesdays from 5:10 pm - 6:40 pm beginning January 24.**

### **When will I be notified if I have been selected for the Externship?**

- Interviews will take place in early January; all candidates receiving interviews will be informed if they have been selected or not by January 20.

**Interested?** For more information contact Dr. Christie Nelson, Rutgers MBS Externship Exchange Director - [cnelson@dimacs.rutgers.edu](mailto:cnelson@dimacs.rutgers.edu)