



Graduate Fellowship Program

Funded by a Governor's Workforce Board of Rhode Island (GWB) Jobs Initiatives Grant, Tech Collective's Graduate Fellowship program aims to build the workforce pipeline and fill talent gaps on two levels: (1.) providing industry employers with qualified candidates to potentially fill their open positions; and (2.) providing recent college graduates with hands-on, industry experience and employment opportunities within Rhode Island.

Summary of program criteria:

- RI employers must have a current or anticipated job opening in IT or Bioscience that will be offered to individuals who successfully complete the program.
- Applicants must have a 2-4 year degree in an Information Technology/Computer Science, Bioscience – or related courses of study from a RI college or university.
- Applicants must be a recent RI college/university graduate (within 6 months after graduation) who is either unemployed/underemployed, but not working in the IT/bioscience industry.
- Graduates of certificate programs in IT/Computer Science, Bioscience, or related programs of study from public/private post-secondary institutions or training providers will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Be a legal resident of the State of Rhode Island or a non-resident graduate from a RI college/university.
- Applicants must submit a current resume and cover letter that relates to the position for which they apply.
- Selected applicants will agree to be interviewed by Tech Collective staff and the RI employer(s).
- Participants will receive a "real world experience" by working in a professional setting for 35-40 hours per week from approximately June 2 – August 22, 2014.
- The successful candidates will receive a weekly stipend of \$600 per week for 10-12 weeks.
- Each participant must attend Fellowship orientation/group meetings prior to the start of and during the program to review expectations, requirements, share successes/concerns, etc.
- Each participant will be required to submit signed time sheets, complete a program evaluation and attend an end-of-Program recognition event in early September.

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