Dear Employer,

Thank you for your interest in hiring a Princeton University student. As a stipulation of being hired, I understand that your organization requires students to receive credit for this experience.

While Princeton University does not offer course credit for internships, we strongly endorse and support student participation in internships as a way to provide perspectives that can be applied not only to their classroom learning and independent research, but also in shaping their decisions about how they wish to engage with the world after their four years at Princeton.

We have found that substantive and intellectually engaging internship programs help students in a variety of ways that are valuable to their overall academic experience, often providing them with an opportunity to explore, frame questions and reflect on key issues. The experience gained by students during internships can also ultimately relate to their credit-bearing academic work. At Princeton, two years of independent work in the student's chosen field are required for graduation, and students receive academic credit toward their graduation requirements for both a semester-long junior independent paper and for their year-long senior thesis.

We thank you for offering our students such valuable opportunities for career-related experiences and hope that this letter provides the assurance you seek that this internship experience will benefit the academic experience of our students.

If you require additional information, please visit http://careerdevelopment.princeton.edu/letterofsupport.

Sincerely,

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