

# BSOS STUDENTS: INTERNSHIP SUCCESS

## Department of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI)



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**Major:**

Criminology & Criminal Justice

**Organization:** Department of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Investigations

**Internship title:** Intern

### **What is a typical week like in your internship position?**

For the majority of my time, I was trained by my designated special agent about the group's background and systems. I had the chance to help them using my language and analytic skills. I also participated in several search warrants, court hearings, and surveillances. Depending on the workload, I was exposed to different types of tasks and challenges.

### **What do you enjoy most?**

I most enjoyed having the opportunity to explore the federal law enforcement working environment. I also enjoyed being able to connect what I learned from my coursework to the internship (for example, search and seizure).

### **Has your coursework helped you in your position?**

My coursework and analytic skills helped me to better understand and prepare for the workload of the internship.

### **Internship advice for students:**

Pay close attention to the BSOS blog, and be persistent. Not only for this internship, but for any internship you pursue, you must show your enthusiasm and flexibility and always be willing to learn and accept new challenges.

**How did you locate your internship position?** [BSOS blog](#).

### **Final advice:**

This experience working with HSI has been extremely helpful as there are NOT many internships like this one! Do not miss the opportunity to work with federal special agents for an entire semester. You will expand your network and skill set!

Check the BSOS blog for internship positions with [HSI](#) or email questions to: [HSIBaltimore.Recruitment@ice.dhs.gov](mailto:HSIBaltimore.Recruitment@ice.dhs.gov)