

The Miami-Dade Police Department Student Internship Program is designed to expose students to the day-to-day operations of a major, urban law enforcement agency. Selected students will partner with police officers, detectives, crime scene investigators, sheriff's deputies, and core civilian staff in the performance of their duties, gaining vital insight and knowledge of the current and cutting edge of criminal justice administration in the United States.

The program ranges from 10 to 16 weeks in length and is open to currently enrolled undergraduate\* and graduate students. Selected students will be assigned to specific units within MDPD, on rotation, and will observe sworn and non-sworn personnel in the performance of their daily duties and assignments.

The MDPD Student Internship Program is a non-paid internship. Selected students may be able to receive college credit through their institution. At the time of application, you must have at least a minimum overall 2.7 GPA and a 3.0 GPA in your major of studies. The number of credits you will earn for participating in the internship program ranges from 6 to 12 credits and depends upon your individual school and advisor.

In order to start the application process each of the below is needed:

1. Your résumé
2. Your current **sealed** official college transcripts.
3. A copy of your driver's license and student identification card.
4. Two (2) 2" x 2" passport photographs.
5. A criminal background check from your place of residence (this can be obtained at your local police station or sheriff's office)
6. A letter of recommendation from your school's internship coordinator or faculty advisor.

**For foreign police officers/criminal justice students:**

7. Your passport and visa.
8. A national criminal clearance letter.

**All interns are responsible for their own food and housing**

When all the above listed documentation is received, an additional criminal background check will be conducted by the Department. The student must pass this background check in order to be admitted into the program. The internship is based on 8 hour shifts, Monday through Friday, and you may be scheduled for day or afternoon shifts.

\*Undergraduate applicants must be either a junior or senior at a fully accredited college or university. Students who have already graduated from school are not eligible to attend.