X3 NeXt for Early College



and Career FAQ

How old do I have to be to apply?

There is no age restriction. Applicants need to have earned their high school diploma or GED equivalent.

How many hours a week will NeXt require?

NeXt internship hours vary by employer, ranging from 12 to 25 hrs per week. One-on-one support and cohort meetings will vary each week but may be up to an hour.

How much does the internship pay? How often are interns paid?

NeXt interns receive regular payments via direct deposit over the course of the 13-week session. Stipend amounts vary depending on location. Please refer to the NeXt application for the most up-to-date hourly wage.

What kind of internship will I get?

NeXt works with a wide variety of community partners and employers. Your internship placement will be customized for you and aligned with your program of study.

Will X3 NeXt provide tutoring?

X3 does not provide this service directly. Instead, we will connect you with tutoring services at your school or program (<u>CNM tutoring services</u> for example). Your X3 Coach can also help coordinate other services or aid according to your life circumstances.

Will meetings be online or in person?

Your intern orientation and mentor meetings will be held in-person most of the time.

Will my internship be in person or online?

Your internship could be in-person, online, or a hybrid of both. This will depend on your placement.

Can I attend classes at a college?

Yes, the NeXt internship is designed to work alongside your class load at a college, university, or certificate program.

How many classes do I need to take each semester to stay in NeXt?

You must be enrolled in a minimum of one class to be eligible for NeXt.

What if I drop my classes before the semester ends?

You will need to pay back your financial aid to UNM or CNM; please see CNM's refund and repayment policy.

What if I am not admitted into my college program (e.g. Nursing, Radio Tech, Physical Therapy)?

You can still attend college and take your program's prerequisites in order to keep your Lottery Scholarship status and be placed in a NeXt internship. However, you must reapply the following semester. Please see your advisor for specific guidance.

What if my program requires a <u>Coordinated Program Entry</u> with a Pre-Registration Screening Form and I am not admitted when I first apply?

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