

# GRADY L.A.

## *General Information - Summer Study Program in Los Angeles*

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### **PROGRAM SUMMARY**

Grady L.A. is a summer internship/study program in Los Angeles. Students will spend 8 weeks in Los Angeles working as interns for companies in the entertainment industry. In addition, they will take Telecommunications courses for a combined total of 6 credit hours.

Each week, students will be introduced to guest speakers including studio executives, animators, directors, screenwriters, agents, and other key industry players. In addition, students will tour various studio and production facilities in Los Angeles to gain an insider's perspective into the industry.

### **WHY GRADY L.A.?**

While an internship is not a requirement for graduation, many faculty highly recommend that students obtain an internship during their time at Grady. While some students find local internships during the fall and spring semesters, many students choose to intern during the summer months.

With numerous Grady College students interested in pursuing careers in entertainment development, production, marketing, and distribution; each summer, many students choose to intern with companies in Los Angeles. Grady students have completed internships with companies in L.A. such as Twentieth Century Fox, Double Feature Films, Playtone Productions, MGM, E! Entertainment, Academy of Television Arts & Sciences, Aero Films, Participant, ABC Television, Wild Plum, *Legend of the Seeker*, *Community*, and *Modern Family*.

While some students interning in Los Angeles, chose to return to Georgia or go elsewhere to pursue their careers, many students return to Los Angeles after graduation. Some students are offered jobs from the companies that they interned with during the summer.

Given the substantial student interest in the field of entertainment, the demand for internships in L.A., and the increasing number of alumni and companies that continue to reach out to Grady students, the Grady College is establishing a formal presence in Los Angeles with the introduction of the Grady L.A. Summer Study Program. The structure of a formal internship program with the additional coursework, allow students to receive academic instruction and professional, industry experience.



## **PROGRAM DETAILS**

### **Program Dates:**

June 10 – August 3, 2012 (8 weeks)

### **Courses:**

Students register for a total of 6 credit hours (MUST take all 6 hours).

Course #1: “Mass Communications Internship” - TELE 5010 (2 hours)

Course #2: “Advanced Studies in Mass Communication” – TELE 5170 (1 hour)

Course #3: “Screenwriting” – TELE 4110 (3 hours)

\*or

“Advanced Studies in Mass Communication” – TELE 5170 (3 hours)

\*Students can only register for TELE 5170/JRMC 8050 if they have already taken TELE 4110/6110 for credit.

### **Program Schedule:**

Monday/Wednesday/Friday:	Internship
Tuesday/Thursday:	Classes, Guest Speakers, Tours
Saturday:	Some Saturdays reserved for group activities/tours. In the event that a tour can only be reserved on a weekday, class will be held on Saturday.

A detailed calendar of events and course syllabi will be provided to accepted students.

### **Accommodation:**

Oakwood Toluca Hills Apartments

Students will reside in fully-furnished 1 or 2 bedroom apartments with wireless access and onsite amenities such as laundry, parking, fitness center, pool, etc. Students will be required to share a rooms/apartments with students of the same gender.

The Oakwood Apartments are located just off the 101 Freeway for easy access to all major Los Angeles thoroughfares, and are just a few miles from Universal Studios, NBC Studios, Warner Bros., Disney, Dreamworks, ABC, and several other major media companies.

## **Transportation:**

Students will be responsible for their own transportation, both to Los Angeles, and during their stay in Los Angeles (not included in program cost). Whether students fly to Los Angeles and rent a car (see below) or drive their own vehicle out to Los Angeles, students must have access to a car during the program. It is possible for 2 students to share a vehicle, but no more than 2 students per car due to internship locations.

### Closest Airports:

Los Angeles Airport (LAX) – Largest area airport (likely to find cheaper, direct flights)

Burbank Airport (BUR) – Closest airport to Oakwood Apartments

### Car Rentals:

Enterprise Rent-a-Car offers student discount rates/under age 21 rates on rentals by the day, week, or month.

## **PROGRAM COST**

The cost of the program is \$5,000, not including tuition, fees, and transportation. Included in the fee is the cost of accommodation, food, tours, and other entertainment activities.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

\*Applicants must be current Grady College students (all Grady majors eligible to apply)

\*Minimum number of students = 16; Maximum number of students = 20

\*Application criteria: Completed application, G.P.A., Seniority status, and an Interview

## **CONTACT**

For additional information, please contact Professor Jennifer Smith at [jensmith@uga.edu](mailto:jensmith@uga.edu).

**Applications for Summer 2012 are Due Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>.**

**INFORMATION SESSIONS:                      Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.  
Room 118**





**Personal/Academic Information:**

Male                  Female                                  Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Student Legal Resident of (State): \_\_\_\_\_

Grady Major: \_\_\_\_\_                                  Current Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_                                  Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Class Standing (during Grady L.A.):    Sophomore                  Junior                  Senior

Expected semester/year of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you traveled out of state before?    Yes                                  No

If so, have you been to Los Angeles?    Yes                                  No

Have you had an internship before?    Yes                                  No

If so, did you receive Grady credit?    Yes                                  No

If so, how many credit hours? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any previous internships:

Company	Type of Internship	Location
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Area of the industry are you most interested in pursuing (you can select more than one):

- Film development                                  TV development                                  Talent/Lit Agency
- Film production                                  TV production                                  Music Video/Commercials
- Film Distribution                                  Film Finance                                  Film/TV Advertising/PR
- New Media/Gaming    Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

**Disciplinary Record:**

Have you ever been convicted of a felony: Yes      No

If yes, please explain:

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While a student at UGA or any other college, have you ever been found guilty of violating university regulations or the student code of conduct? Yes      No

If yes, please explain:

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**PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WITH YOUR APPLICATION:**

- 1- Transcript  
To order a transcript (cost is \$8), go to <http://www.reg.uga.edu/transcripts>
- 2- Current Resume

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Waiver:

Applicants who are accepted to participate in the Grady L.A. program are required by The University of Georgia to complete and sign a student agreement and waiver which stipulates the terms and conditions of the program, student conduct regulations, and a waiver of liability.

Payment Schedule:

Applicants who are accepted to participate in the Grady L.A. program will be billed by the Bursar's Office in two installments. The payments are non-refundable.

First payment of \$2,500 – Due March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Second payment of \$2,500 – Due April 20<sup>th</sup>

Tuition and fees will be billed separately by the Bursar's Office.

Selection Criteria:

A minimum of 16 applicants and a maximum of 20 applicants will be selected for participation in the Grady L.A. program. Selection criteria include completion of application, G.P.A., seniority at Grady, and an interview with the program director. All applicants will be contacted to schedule an interview.

**Release and Application Signature:**

I hereby authorize officials at my home university to release my disciplinary records (including but not limited to records maintained by the Judicial Programs and Services Office, the Department of Housing, and/or the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs) to the Director of the Grady L.A. program. I fully understand that my disciplinary records may be a factor in evaluating my application.

I further acknowledge that the information provided on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I fully understand that providing false information during the application process may be grounds for rejecting my application or grounds for dismissal from Grady L.A..

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATIONS DUE – FEBRUARY 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Please bring your completed application, transcript, and resume to:**

**Professor Jennifer Smith  
Grady College  
Telecommunications Department  
Room 101-I**

**\*You can also put the application in Professor Smith's mailbox**

\*If you have any questions, please contact Professor Smith at [jensmith@uga.edu](mailto:jensmith@uga.edu)