



## LA Internship 2: Creating a Project Plan with the Faculty

You have been an LA for a few semesters and now have an opportunity to create your own project in collaboration with the faculty. What are you interested in? What are your career plans? What kind of impact would you like to have on students in LA-supported STEM courses?

As with your first LA internship course (which is a prerequisite), the context of your experience is an interactive classroom/session in which you facilitate projects/labs/exercises in class, group work, presentations by students, and guide students by asking really good questions. Your goal is to help students learn by empowering them to discover the course discipline principals through trial and error and on-going discussions with peers. Your impact as an LA2 intern can be in the area of understanding what works and what doesn't in this environment, creating materials for the course, and more. Creative and innovative projects are very much encouraged.

Typically, LA2 Interns take responsibilities such as:

- Leading and running LA sessions outside class (at least 1-2 hours/week)
- Co-leading LA planning meeting with faculty
- Developing materials under the guidance of your professor
- Testing and reviewing course materials
- Mentoring new LAs in your team, etc
- Designing and participating in course research studies

Please be ready to write a short reflection/project summary of what was accomplished at the end of the semester (week 13).

In the reflection, LA2 Interns should describe the project (1 paragraph), the impact on LAs, students, professor or the course (1 paragraph) and new connections/perspectives related to their career goals (1 paragraph). Don't forget to mention the course and faculty name. You should submit the reflection to [laprogram@fiu.edu](mailto:laprogram@fiu.edu) by the end of Week 13 with the subject line: LA2 End-of-Semester Reflection. Save this document and create a reminder on your calendar so you won't forget to submit it on time.

To create a project plan, please review the following questions with your faculty through zoom/phone call and take notes. When you are ready, copy-paste the answers to the questions to the [application survey \(on qualtrics\) here](#).

1. **In respect to your LA work, what does interest you the most?**



2. **Please create a list of added responsibilities that you and the faculty view as highly helpful for students learning.** These responsibilities differ from the 'typical' things you do as an LA (and within the Learning Assistant Internship 1, SMT4946)

3. **The estimated hours** that you anticipate spending on each activity/responsibility:  
Please create a detailed bullet point list with the activity title and the number of hours. You will need to fit all these activities within your LA position hours (at least 3, 5 will be great).

4. **Connection to your career goals:**

Please explain how the experience you will gain through this internship will help you achieve your education and career goals. Focus on an area of expertise or skill relevant to your career goal and describe how this LA Internship will help you develop professionally. (100-150 words).



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