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Meet EMa Freiburger, Program Manager at Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories (SEL)

EMa joined SEL as a human resources intern seven years ago. Today, she manages the SEL internship program. In her role as program manager, EMa plans events, provides professional development opportunities, and supports interns and their teams. She works with educators and student groups at many colleges and universities to enhance their experience and exposure to careers after graduation.

As an intern, EMa remembers how it felt as graduation approached and being worried about what job she was going to find and where she wanted to take her career. "The SEL internship program gave me relevant experience, but even more, I learned about career opportunities and how to navigate the unknown."

Now that she manages the program, she provides support and mentorship to students as they navigate that transition. "I get so much joy when one of our interns achieves their goals and finds even the slightest clarity of where they want to take their career," shared EMa.



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Each year, SEL employs hundreds of interns in a variety of positions, including manufacturing, business, computer science, electrical engineering, human resources, marketing, and more.

The SEL internship program allows students to contribute to real-world projects—experience that gives them an advantage when seeking employment after graduation. Interns have the chance to network with mentors, professionals in their field of study, and other interns from around the world.



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