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## Mayor Nutter Supports Campus Philly's Online Internship Fair



*Philadelphia*, *February 26* - The Mayor's Internship Program, sponsored by the City of Philadelphia, is one of more than 150 regional employers to support Campus Philly's Online Internship Fair. The free online fair presents an opportunity for local college students to apply for 500 paid and un-paid internships with for-profit and nonprofit organizations. The fair runs through February 29. Students can register at <a href="www.campusphilly.org/careers">www.campusphilly.org/careers</a>.

According to Campus Philly, more than 366,000 students attend college in the Philadelphia region. Every year about 60,000 degrees are conferred yet only 26

percent of those graduates who are not originally from the area remain in Philadelphia.

"We need to get individuals who go to school here, to stay here," said Mayor Nutter. "Too many students are taking their skills learned here to other cities. The goal of the Campus Philly Online Internship Fair is to retain these future leaders and assist them in building lasting careers in Philadelphia."

The Mayor's Internship Program is an eight-week summer internship for undergraduate students. Interns are assigned projects providing research, administrative, and staff assistance to high-level City managers. For more information on the Mayor's Internship visit the website at <a href="http://www.phila.gov/mdo/internship.html">http://www.phila.gov/mdo/internship.html</a>.

Representatives of Campus Philly are expecting more than 2,500 students to participate in the online internship fair. Companies participating in the fair include the Philadelphia Zoo, WHYY, NFL Films, the Franklin Institute, GlaxoSmithKline and Merck.

Campus Philly is a nonprofit organization that works with the area's colleges and universities to connect students with social, cultural, and community service opportunities in the Philadelphia region. It is supported by the City's Department of Commerce and the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation. For more information please contact Vicki Riley, Commerce Department Public Relations Manager, at 215-683-2174 or Jon Herrmann, Campus Philly, at 215-988-1707 or visit Campus Philly's website at <a href="https://www.campusphilly.org">www.campusphilly.org</a>.