

IC 22-4.1-7

Chapter 7. Certified Internship Programs and Grants

IC 22-4.1-7-1

"Certified internship program" defined

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "certified internship program" refers to an internship program that is certified by the department, in consultation with the department of education, under section 5 of this chapter.

As added by P.L.96-2004, SEC.24.

IC 22-4.1-7-2

"Employer" defined

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "employer" has the meaning set forth in IC 22-8-1.1-1.

As added by P.L.96-2004, SEC.24.

IC 22-4.1-7-3

"Approved postsecondary educational institution" defined

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "approved postsecondary educational institution" has the meaning set forth in IC 21-12-1-6(b).

As added by P.L.96-2004, SEC.24. Amended by P.L.2-2007, SEC.295.

IC 22-4.1-7-4

"Student" defined

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "student" means an individual who is enrolled at an approved postsecondary educational institution on at least a part-time basis.

As added by P.L.96-2004, SEC.24. Amended by P.L.2-2007, SEC.296.

IC 22-4.1-7-5

Certification of program; application

Sec. 5. (a) An approved postsecondary educational institution that seeks certification for an internship program under this chapter shall submit an application for certification to the department on a form prescribed by the department.

(b) The department, in consultation with the department of education, shall certify an internship program under this chapter if the program:

- (1) is operated or administered by an approved postsecondary educational institution or a department, school, or program within an approved postsecondary educational institution;
- (2) integrates a particular curriculum or course of study offered at the approved postsecondary educational institution with career internships provided by employers;
- (3) places students in career internships provided by employers;
- (4) requires participating students to meet certain academic standards established by rule by the department in consultation

with the department of education;

(5) requires employers to provide to participating students the:

(A) supervision; and

(B) payroll and personnel services;

that the employers provide to their regular part-time employees;

(6) is designed to provide an internship experience that enriches and enhances the classroom experience of participating students;

(7) requires employers to comply with all state and federal laws pertaining to the workplace; and

(8) complies with any other requirement adopted by rule by the department after consultation with the department of education.

As added by P.L.96-2004, SEC.24. Amended by P.L.2-2007, SEC.297.

IC 22-4.1-7-6

Student participation in internship

Sec. 6. A certified internship program may allow a student to participate in an internship at any time during the year, including the summer, as long as the student remains enrolled at the approved postsecondary educational institution that operates or administers the certified internship program.

As added by P.L.96-2004, SEC.24. Amended by P.L.2-2007, SEC.298.

IC 22-4.1-7-7

Grants

Sec. 7. (a) The department may issue a grant from the state technology advancement and retention account established by IC 4-12-12-1 to an employer that employs at least one (1) student through a certified internship program.

(b) The department shall determine the amount of a grant issued under subsection (a).

(c) A grant issued under this section is subject to approval by the budget agency.

As added by P.L.96-2004, SEC.24.

IC 22-4.1-7-8

Adoption of rules

Sec. 8. The department, in consultation with the department of education, may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter. However, the department shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement section 7 of this chapter.

As added by P.L.96-2004, SEC.24.