INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS & INTERNSHIPS

What is an internship?
- A monitored work experience that includes learning goals and reflection
- May be part-time or full-time, paid or unpaid, at least 10 weeks long and 10 hours per week
- Available to all Calvin students who are sophomores or above
- May be for academic credit (completed while taking an internship seminar course at Calvin) or non-credit (completed for experience only)
- Available fall, spring and summer semesters

Why pursue an internship?
- Explore a specific field of interest
- Determine if a career is a good fit
- Obtain practical experience to enhance a resume and improve skills
- Supplement theoretical learning with practical applications

How do I get involved in Calvin's internship program?
- Internships are posted on CalvinLink at www.calvin.edu/career
- Meet with Beth Cok for additional assistance (call 526-6485 to schedule appointment)

Options for international students:

1. Dual citizen attending college as a USA citizen
   - can participate in any of the internship options, credit and noncredit, paid and unpaid; do not need to obtain a CPT work visa, do need a social security number

2. On-campus internship
   - available to all international students for credit and noncredit internships

3. Off-campus internships – unpaid
   - available to all international students; however, may not receive any compensation, work authorization is not needed, can complete a credit or noncredit internship

4. Off-campus - paid
   - need to have F-1 status and be in good standing
   - must have attended Calvin for 9 consecutive months and maintained full-time (12 credits/ semester) status
   - contact Jo Cooper in Admissions to obtain a CPT (Curricular Practical Training) work visa application
   - must register for an internship course or complete an independent study course
   - maximum internship credits allowed towards graduation is 12 credits