

HPP Intern Exit Survey

Please complete the following survey about your experience as an HPP intern in 2020. Your responses are anonymous. Completing this survey will take about 20 minutes.

Section 1: Internship Structure

1. Were your internship activities primarily in-person or virtual?
 - In-person *Continue to Section 2: In-Person Internship Experience*
 - Virtual *Continue to Section 3: Virtual Internship Experience*

Section 2: In-Person Internship Experience

You selected that your internship was primarily in-person. To help NOAA characterize the pros and cons of in-person internships in the future, please rate your agreement with the following statements:

2. I was comfortable with the COVID-19 safety precautions implemented at my internship site.

	1	2	3	4	5	
Strongly disagree	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Strongly agree

3. My internship experience was negatively impacted because of COVID-19 safety precautions implemented at my internship site.

	1	2	3	4	5	
Strongly disagree	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Strongly agree

4. What are the pros and cons of working in-person?

Continue to Section 4: General Internship Experience

Section 3: Virtual Internship Experience

NOAA administered HPP remotely this year due to the covid-19 pandemic. To help NOAA characterize the pros and cons of remote internships in the future, please rate your agreement with the following statements:

5. My internship was negatively impacted by working remotely.

	1	2	3	4	5	
Strongly disagree	0	0	0	0	0	Strongly agree

6. What are the pros and cons of working in a remote environment?

7. How could communicating with your mentor or NOAA administrative staff have been improved in a remote working environment?

8. NOAA should consider providing remote internship opportunities in the future, even when NOAA facilities are open to in-person work.

	1	2	3	4	5	
Strongly disagree	0	0	0	0	0	Strongly agree

Continue to Section 4: General Internship Experience

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9. Please briefly describe the main focus of your internship. *

10. Please describe your favorite aspects of the internship.

11. Please rate your agreement with this statement: *

“I felt fully supported by NOAA during my internship.”

	1	2	3	4	5	
Strongly disagree	0	0	0	0	0	Strongly agree

12. Would you recommend the HPP internship to a fellow student? *

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

13. How could you have been better supported during the internship? *

Continue to Section 5: Career Development

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Please rate your agreement with the following statements related to the impact of HPP on your career plans and development.

14. I learned about NOAA and career-development skills by attending the HPP webinar series.

	1	2	3	4	5	
Strongly disagree	0	0	0	0	0	Strongly agree

15. Compared to other webinars you have attended, how would you rate HPP's webinar series?

	1	2	3	4	5	
Poor	0	0	0	0	0	Excellent

16. Please select the extent to which you found the following webinar categories valuable to your internship experience.

Not valuable at all Somewhat valuable Extremely valuable

Orientation	0	0	0
Career-Building Webinars	0	0	0
NOAA 101	0	0	0
Closing Presentations	0	0	0

17. Please describe any ideas you have for additional webinar topics.

18. Please describe any other aspects of the internship that you found valuable.

19. The HPP internship has provided me with an opportunity to further develop my career plans.

	1	2	3	4	5	
Strongly disagree	0	0	0	0	0	Strongly agree

20. Please describe the ways in which the internship has affected your career plans. *

Continue to Section 6: NOAA Onboarding Experience

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To begin your internship, you should have gone through a process known as "on-boarding" where you obtained a security clearance and were provided with computer access, a NOAA email account, a work space, office orientation, etc. Please rate your agreement to the following statements regarding your onboarding experience.

21. I felt fully supported by NOAA during the on-boarding process.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Strongly disagree	0	0	0	0	0	Strongly agree

22. How could the on-boarding process have been improved?

Section 7: Intention to Apply to Hollings

23. Do you plan to apply to the Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship Program? *

- Yes
- No
- Undecided

24. Please describe why you chose the response above regarding your intention to apply to Hollings. *

End Survey

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