NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program
NAIA Men’s Basketball National Championship
Kansas City, Missouri - March 17-23, 2022

OVERVIEW

The NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program will take place in conjunction with the 2022 NAIA Men’s Basketball National Championship hosted at Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Missouri. The program will run March 17-23, 2022. We are gearing this program towards students who want to set themselves apart with experience in leadership roles at a national championship sporting event. This program is designed for students in sport management or similar degrees pursuing internship hours, a capstone project, or volunteer hours with great experience for a resume.

The NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program is a selective, unpaid, application-based program with consideration given to intended major, career aspirations, experience, dedication, and availability. The NAIA Championship Intern Program will require 60-70 hours over ten days. The dedication to this program will give you a taste of what it is like to work in the sports industry, as well as provide a well-rounded overview of all the essentials to run an intercollegiate national championship. The hours will pay off in networking and job pipeline opportunities as well as hands-on experience.

PURPOSE

Our purpose is to engage young professional and college students near Kansas City that are looking for experience in Sport Management and Event Coordination in collegiate athletics. The purpose of the NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program in conjunction with the NAIA Men’s Basketball National Championship is to give students a hands-on experience by being an instrumental part of the operations of our championship.

BENEFITS

- Internship hours & degree credit (if approved by your institution)
- Networking Meet & Greets with Kansas City sport industry leaders
  - NAIA National Office Staff, Kansas City Sports Commission, Niles Media Group, Linden Entertainment Group, and others
- On-Site interviews for a paid seasonal position in the NAIA Eligibility Center
- On-Site resume reviews & tips
- NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern of the Year Award
- Intern Appreciation Lunch - Wednesday, March 23rd
- NAIA apparel
- Food provided while working
- (4) tickets to the Championship (can be used by friends or family for one day of the championship)
EXPERIENCE OVERVIEW

The NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program will be set in a rotational format to ensure you gain experience in all of the following areas:

- Venue Preparation
- Championship Operations
- Customer Service & Information
- Entertainment Coordination
- In-Game Promotions & Fan Engagement
- Ancillary championship events (Student Athlete Experience, Sponsor Events, Shoot & Slam, All-Star Game, etc.)

STRUCTURE/SCHEDULE

In order to participate in the NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program you must be readily available March 17-23, 2022 to work all mandatory events and at least one shift per day of the championship. Special considerations will be given and evaluated based on individual applications.

Below is the general schedule for the NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program (subject to change):

**Monday, March 14th**
TBD

**Orientation and Arena Set-Up *Mandatory***
Welcome & Arena Tour
Arena Set-Up
Welcome from NAIA Director of Championships
Continue Championship Prep

**Wednesday, March 16th**
TBD

**Student-Athlete Experience Event *Optional***
Student-Athlete Experience Event (banquet for all 16 teams in championship)

**Thursday, March 17th**
TBD

**Day 1 of Championship**
Shift 1 (Games 1-4)

**Friday, March 18th**
TBD

**Day 2 of Championship**
Shift 1 (Games 5-8)

**Saturday, March 19th**
TBD

**Day 3 of Championship**
Shift 1 (Games 9-10)
Shift 2 (Shoot & Slam/Games 11-12)

**Sunday, March 20th**
TBD

**Special Needs Clinic *Optional***
Special Needs Clinic (Optional Event)

**Monday, March 21st**
TBD

**Semifinals *Mandatory***
Shift 1 (Games 13-14)

**Tuesday, March 22nd**
TBD

**All-Star Game & Championship Game *Mandatory***
Shift 1 (All-Star Game and Championship Game)

**Wednesday, March 23rd**
TBD

**Tear Down & Move Out *Mandatory***
Tear Down and Move Out in the Morning

*Other Events leading up to the NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program*

**Training Webinar/Calls**
After our ambassadors are chosen we will be having webinars/conference calls to give an overview of the program and answer any additional questions anyone may have.
2022 Honorary Coaches Draft - TBD
This is an optional event that is the week before the championship begins and we will need some extra help for those interested. The Honorary Coaches Draft is where some of our biggest sponsors from Kansas City area businesses draft their team for the championship. Volunteers are needed and it is a great networking opportunity.

APPLICATION

Applications will be open starting Friday, October 15th, 2021.

You can find key application dates as well as other event information for the NAIA Men’s Basketball Intern Program by visiting www.naia.org/Intern_Program/mbb or by clicking the link below.

Apply Now!

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For more information on the NAIA Men’s Basketball National Championship visit NAIAHoops.com