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## Savannah River Nuclear Solutions Provides Real-life Experience for Summer Interns

*Intern program benefits both students and SRNS alike*

AIKEN, S.C. – (July 30, 2012) Each summer Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC (SRNS) welcomes interns from universities and colleges across the U.S. This summer, 138 interns are experiencing hands-on work at the Savannah River Site (SRS) in fields such as radiological control engineering, fire protection engineering, public relations and in assignments at the Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL).



USC-Aiken biology major and SRNS intern Brandy Bossle (right) hopes to return to SRS after college to pursue a career in environmental remediation. Bossle is shown here working with SRNL employee Michael Paller collecting animal specimens for analysis using an electrical stunning device.

The intern program offers a unique opportunity for students to come to SRS to acquire real-life experience in an array of professions at the Site. Internships are paid and are offered to college students ranging from freshman to Post-Doctoral and are mutually beneficial to the students and their SRNS managers.

USC-Aiken Biology major Brandy Bossle said that she would definitely consider coming back to SRS to work after graduation.

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“My internship has given me an experience to do something I really want to do as soon as I get out of college. My internship at SRS has been a perfect resume’ builder, as I want to do environmental remediation when I get out of school.”

Zachary Huffman is a rising sophomore at Mercer University who is majoring in biomedical engineering. “What is taught in a classroom setting and what is actually done within the workforce are two completely different things, and I now know what lies ahead of me when I go to search for a career after college,” said Huffman. “The practical experience I have received at SRS will have me accustomed to how engineering in a business setting operates, and will have me prepared for a career. I would recommend SRS internships to my classmates who were seeking an internship because of the unique, practical experiences and opportunities SRS presents to college students pursuing engineering.”

According to Angela Martin, Site Strategic Staffing, “Not only is the SRNS intern program beneficial to students, but it is also advantageous to SRNS. With an aging workforce, we hope to fill our pipeline with skilled workers who have already become acclimated to our company culture, and who will want to come back and work with us in the future,” said Martin.

Accounts Payable, Cash Management and Travel Manager Jean Thomas started her career at SRS as an intern. “My internship at SRNS was my foot in the door to a full time career,” she said. “Since I was hired, I took on varying responsibilities within the Finance Department which prepared me for my current management position. I am a strong supporter of the internship program because I know first-hand the opportunities it brings.” Seven interns have so far been offered full time employment with SRNS this year, with more offers expected by the end of the summer.

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC, is a Fluor Partnership comprised of Fluor, Newport News Nuclear and Honeywell, responsible for the management and operations of the Department of Energy’s Savannah River Site, including the Savannah River National Laboratory, located near Aiken, South Carolina.

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