

Interns Jumpstart Their Careers

How their summer with RailWorks was an invaluable investment in their future

A hands-on experience.

The chance to be part of RailWorks field and also office operations.

A wonderful opportunity.

These phrases are a sampling of what our interns consistently say about their experiences at RailWorks. Every summer, RailWorks hosts college interns throughout 30-plus field offices in the United States and Canada. They get an up-close look at the construction industry in 12- to 16-week stints where assignments include work at railroad, industrial and rail-transit project sites across North America.

A few recent interns shared these insights about their summer jobs with RailWorks:



Intern Sam Vlasak, a sophomore at South Dakota State University, worked at Flint Hills Refinery in Rosemount, MN, as part of his duties with RailWorks Track Systems' Lakeville, MN, office. He called his time spent on such tasks as checking for proper track elevation (shown in this photo), as well as threading, de-stressing and anchoring continuous-welded rail, a 'great learning experience.'

"I have taken many things of value from this (experience), the most valuable being the understanding of how a project proceeds from its roots through its completion. My favorite parts (were) my field experience at Lyondell Bayport, which allowed me to be very hands-on. The second part was the overall sense of accomplishment of being an integral part in such an important project."



Greg Long - Michigan Technological University
RailWorks Track Systems
Houston, TX

"My responsibilities included writing proposals to customers, working on estimates, contacting vendors for quotes on materials, and assisting with paperwork. I gained experience in the field as well, doing track inspections and working with our crew. ... I have learned a great deal about the railroad industry during my experience with RailWorks."



Mike Romano - Virginia Tech University
RailWorks Track Systems
Corpus Christi, TX

"I can't thank (RailWorks) enough for the knowledge I've gained, from working in the field in various types of track construction all over the central part of the United States, to the knowledge I gained working alongside the management in the office. This internship was a wonderful opportunity that I will take with me back to college and that I will encourage others to do."



Steven Salzwedel - South Dakota State University
RailWorks Track Systems
Fremont, NE

"Working for RailWorks the last four years has been one of the greatest things that has ever happened to me. My three summers as a laborer were eye-opening, to say the least. It was great working my way up into the office this summer and seeing the other side of RailWorks. It also helped me pay my way through school without any additional loans. I truly recommend the job to any college kid out there."



Tom Carr - Loras College
RailWorks Track Systems
Lakeville, MN

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