

THE "HANDS-ON" ASPECT OF ATLANTA NETWORKING DAY HELPED ME...*Better understand my chosen career*

- The hands-on aspect has helped me get a better grasp on what I will be doing in law enforcement.
- Learn new information and what it takes to do this job or any other job I want to pursue.
- Learn how probations and the court system work together.
- I learned how the court system interacted with the probation office, and the steps/process the probation services take.
- Gain some insight into a business environment and the individuals who hold positions I strive for.
- I have gained more insight into my future career.

Make career decisions

- To further solidify my career decisions and open new doors.
- To see behind the scenes in a physical therapy job. I learned a lot and it was a memorable experience that I can use to figure out what to do career-wise in the future.

Apply classroom learning

- Make connections and apply some of the concepts I have learned in class.

THE GREATEST BENEFIT I GAINED FROM PARTICIPATING IN ATLANTA NETWORKING DAY WAS...*Real-world knowledge*

- Seeing how a real courtroom works
- Networking and knowledge about my field of study.
- Becoming more aware of aspects of radio I wasn't familiar with.
- An insight to the courtroom environment for someone within the industry.
- Forming connections and understanding the procedures taken in the probation services.
- A good perspective on project management and what it takes to run a good company with people.
- Knowledge of what a day is in the life of a physical therapist is like.

Networking

- Forming a solid relationship with my host who was wonderful to me.
- The hands-on experience and networking.
- New contact and career options.
- Networking - I have a possible job opportunity when I graduate.
- A possible opportunity to meet with EIS employees in the Charlotte division for a 2nd shadowing day.
- Networking and knowledge about my field of study.
- Forming connections and understanding the procedures taken in the probation services.

Professional advice

- Great advice
- Having seasoned professionals mentor me about what is necessary to be successful in a career.
- Gaining advice and different perspectives.

Career decisions

- It allowed me to have more options in my career plan.

ONE THING THAT SURPRISED ME ABOUT PARTICIPATING IN ATLANTA NETWORKING DAY WAS...*Real-world knowledge*

- It's not like TV.
- The way the companies work in real life.
- The actual bottle company processes, not manufacturers, marketers.
- Learning that music is not nearly as important in commercial radio as I thought.
- The behind the scenes aspect my host was able to show us about the courtroom.
- The amount of legislation involved and how much it varies by state.
- Money and processes involved in probation.
- Originally, I thought that probation officers/staff were more harsh toward offenders. Surprisingly, the staff were very sensitive toward offenders and genuinely wanted to help them succeed.

Affective outcomes

- The openness of our hosts and how they welcomed us into their corporate offices in such a willing manner.
- How helpful these alumni were and how your degree shouldn't limit you!
- How laid back and fun the working environment was. It looked like they really enjoyed their job.
- How laid back it was.
- The warmth and kindness coming from not only my host but also from everyone in my particular workplace.

Other surprises

- Acceptance of us.
- The complexity of buildings and building systems.
- The insight and time given to us.
- What I got to do. Experience and got to see so much, it was overall a great opportunity.

TO IMPROVE NEXT YEAR'S ATLANTA NETWORKING DAY, I WOULD SUGGEST...*More time*

- Longer time to shadow, maybe till S___
- I honestly do not know. It's been more than I even could have hoped for, and I hope there are many more to come in the future.
- More time with the shadow on job. I wish I could spend days there.
- Be more than one day long.
- Longer if possible
- Offer more time spent with hosts.

Program expansion

- Offering this great opportunity in the fall and spring. Also, include a Charlotte Networking Day.
- Do in fall and spring.

No changes

- Nothing...[]
- I had a very positive experience and would not have made any changes!
- N/A. Thought it was perfect.
- Nothing. It was a great experience.

Less time

- Not make it such a long day - either cut out the long dinner portion or make it closer to school.
- Make the day shorter (not the actual shadowing part, but maybe condense or take out other events).

Other suggestions

- Maybe if funding is available, to provide hotel arrangements the night before so students will be well rested for the day.
- Match more closely. Most people were matched well. Mine was only slightly relevant. However, this played out OK as I still learned a lot of general business practices and other information.