

The Cardwell Memorial Internship

Hosted by Starkville First United Methodist Church

Awarded to a communication student to advance the mission of WOBV, while equipping students with first-hand experience of the broadcast industry, in honor of the support and friendship of Dr. Joe and Mrs. Leota Cardwell.

Overview: First United Methodist Church created a television station in 1976 to spread their message to people that didn't attend the church services, and has been on the air ever since. Now, WOBV is growing and is fortunate to invite and share their facility with students to use their skills learned in class work at Mississippi State University or East Mississippi Community College. We are a 24 hours/7 days per week station with a mixed variety of opportunities for those wanting to practice their new skills. FUMC and WOBV had a number of "graduates" that have gone on to work for other facilities (churches, radio & television stations, sports venues, and more) throughout our nation.

The Intern: Have the will and desire to practice your trade in an established facility, surrounded by people that want to see you do your very best. You'll be given leadership opportunities on projects, oversee videos from idea to completion, and learn intrapersonal skills interacting with other ministries to convey their messaging in videos. There is also design work, engineering, and information technology projects, among others, to help round out a strong portfolio. Our staff will help guide and advise through projects but will also let you be creative and try new things.

Expectations: The successful candidate will be expected to work and learn using our equipment, and that everything must be kept in good working order – *as the show must go on!* We will work with you to create a schedule for your work hours, expecting your attendance at the scheduled times. There will be times that your school schedule interferes with work schedule, and we fully understand. However, we do expect you to let us know about complications in your class or family situations in advance, just as you'd expect the same about work schedule changes. There may be opportunities outside our normal schedule, and if your talents meet the needs, or a new learning opportunity for you, we will certainly extend the offer.

Schedule: With First United Methodist being a church, and WOBV being their media provider, we are expected to work by airing, recording, and supporting FUMC's programs, whether it be church services, classes, meetings, and other various events. We will work together to provide you an adequate work schedule, and offer additional opportunities as they become available. We work Sundays, many holidays, and some evenings.

Next Step: Send resume to Media@First-UMC.org with any relevant portfolio items, including a list of classes you have taken and are taking this semester, and description of your progress in school at this time. Upon acceptance, there will be some paperwork to complete, including a background check.