



EIP Internship Program Provides Real-World, High-Tech Job Experience for CNY College Students

Program continues to expand, students advocate rewarding experience

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

- Edison Innovative Power LLC (EIP) and its partners—NYSERDA, The Clean Tech Center, The Tech Garden and CenterState CEO—offer the EIP Internship Program to help today's CNY college students.
- The program gives back to the local community by preparing CNY college students for high-tech, clean-tech engineering positions.
- The program began in 2018 with three college students and grew to eight in 2019 with seven more students from Cornell University, Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), SUNY Polytechnic Institute, Syracuse University, and Union College to join in summer 2020.
- CNY college students tout their positive experiences with the program citing a rewarding, supportive and fulfilling experience.

SYRACUSE, NY, April 22, 2020 — For the past three years, Edison Innovative Power LLC (EIP) and its partners have helped Central New York (CNY) college students through the EIP Internship Program, offering the opportunity for these students to experience a real-world, high-tech work environment within the precision high voltage industry.

With just three students in 2018, the program expanded to eight students in 2019. For the summer 2020 session, seven students joined EIP from six CNY colleges and universities specializing in mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, computer engineering, and software engineering including: Cornell University, Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), SUNY Binghamton, SUNY Polytechnic Institute, Syracuse University, and Union College.

While the program was initially conceived and started by Edison Innovative Power, grants from NYSERDA, The Clean Tech Center, The Tech Garden and CenterState CEO have helped support the EIP Internship Program.

Now in 2020, amidst the global pandemic of COVID-19, the program has continued to flourish with interns working remotely on engineering, software development, and early manufacturing processes for EIP's upcoming high voltage products.

Corinne, an alumna of the EIP Internship Program said, "Interning at EIP was an extremely positive and rewarding experience. I was able to learn new computer-aided design (CAD) skills and work on exciting projects. These experiences allowed me to take the theoretical knowledge I learned in my classes and apply it to a real-life problem. When interviewing for full-time positions, I was able to talk about several projects I worked on at EIP, which helped me secure the job I have now. The leadership at EIP is very supportive and will help you in any way they can to grow [you] as an engineer."

"This experience helped me to gain insight into the process of hardware architecture design and the necessary testing steps that come after it. It has also granted me an experience of working at a start-up," said Wenxuan, another student who completed the program. "[It] also enhanced my problem-solving and communication abilities, as many times there were challenges with no specific way to resolve them. One team member would be assigned or volunteered to take on the lead of a specific problem and after resolving it, they will share the lessons learned with the rest of the team to prevent and minimize the chance of encountering the same problem."

"The EIP Internship Program has been such a success because of the top-quality engineering programs at Central New York colleges and universities which attract exceptional students," said James Morrison, CEO & Founder of Edison Innovative Power. "Not only have these interns made key contributions in the development of EIP products, but we've had the privilege to be a part of their career advancement as they move to full-time positions in today's job market."

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About CenterState CEO

Based in Syracuse, NY, the CenterState Corporation for Economic Opportunity (CenterState CEO) is a twelve-county business leadership and economic development organization. A private, not-for-profit organization, CenterState CEO is dedicated to the success of its 2,000 members and the prosperity of the region.

About NYSERDA

The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, known as NYSERDA, promotes energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy sources. These efforts are key to developing a less polluting and more reliable and affordable energy system for all New Yorkers. Collectively, NYSERDA's efforts aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, accelerate economic growth, and reduce customer energy bills.

About Clean Tech Center

The Clean Tech Center at The Tech Garden is a NYSERDA-funded initiative focused on developing clean energy technology companies in Central New York. These companies strive to harness renewable energy

sources, reduce the carbon footprint and advance sustainability. The Clean Tech Center forges partnerships between clean tech companies with national and state resource providers to help accelerate companies' growth.

About Tech Garden

The Tech Garden (TTG) is a program of CenterState CEO, a private, independent, not-for-profit, business leadership organization and chamber of commerce dedicated to the success of its members and the prosperity of the region that serves 12 counties of Central New York. Through TTG, entrepreneurs can network, connect and obtain business planning assistance, mentoring, advice, funding opportunities, and resources to help their startup succeed. TTG supports tech entrepreneurs with a full range of services needed to achieve their venture goals.

About Edison Innovative Power LLC

Edison Innovative Power is a CNY tech startup in the \$2B field of precision high-voltage devices. Our products empower scientists, engineers, manufacturers, and end users with configurable, SMART, high-voltage solutions that enhance system performance, reliability, and uptime, enabling them to advance technologies and products in the industrial, semiconductor, medical & life science, and analytical instrument markets. We are excited to help accelerate the global benefits in clean technology, health & wellness, and the environment. Learn more at www.eip.global

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