



What past interns say about their experience working with Athletes in Action Sports Complex & Retreat Center:

Personal Growth

“Participating on the high ropes course was a huge accomplishment in my personal development. I have never been able to get on ropes that high and never even been on a roller coaster. Doing this helped me to realize that I will be able to have confidence to conquer more of my fears in the future. I also felt more spiritual in this experience. I truly understood the meaning of putting things into God’s hands; realizing that I just needed to tackle the challenge and trust Him to be in control.”

Spiritual Growth

“During the spiritual growth sessions, I learned about the importance of having a personal relationship with God and that believing in Him is something that should be done continuously and not just when it is convenient for me. I discovered that so many of the Scriptures can really be applied to our world today.”

Professional Growth

“My minor is Marketing and working with the Athletes in Action staff has allowed me to participate in the process of marketing research. Furthermore, working in an office setting has helped me to develop professional communication skills and work ethic. Working with people from different backgrounds and in an office that often has a changing schedule has helped me to become more flexible and adapting to change.”

Growth in Life-Perspective

“The internship has impacted my life-perspective greatly. I learned a lot about myself and my relationship with God. I now understand what it means to walk with God and that He is always with us; no matter what happens good or bad He is at our side.”

Relational Growth

“The most enjoyable aspect of the internship was the feeling of being a valuable member of the organization. It was great to meet all the Athletes in Action staff and understand all their work and for my help.”

Athletes in Action Sports Complex & Retreat Center: Seasonal Internship

The Athletes in Action Sports Complex & Retreat Center department manages seven synthetic turf sports fields (among the largest multi-sport synthetic turf projects in the United States), a Challenge Course (low and high ropes), and a Conference Center (which includes four residence halls, conference rooms and a retreat center) – all located on our historic 250-acre campus in Xenia, Ohio.

Seasonal internship positions will be offered to students throughout the year, typically offered during periods relating to the spring, summer and fall school semesters. All positions are unpaid with school credit fulfillment available and housing options provided as needed.

As a sports ministry, Athletes in Action has designed this internship to help students grow in areas of professional development, leadership development and spiritual development through their interaction with our staff and involvement in assigned projects.

Responsibilities will be split between inside office assignments and outdoor event roles. Positions will include, though not limited to, involvement in the following tasks:

**Executing daily events at the Sports Complex with responsibilities that include setting up the fields, meeting the coaches/event hosts, running music/scoreboard, coordinating public address announcements and in-game entertainment, interacting with fans and managing concessions/parking.*

**Working in the office on projects that involve marketing, event planning, community relations and ministry programming related to specific events and partnerships.*

**Helping to plan sports camps, tournaments and team retreats.*

**Training and facilitating group programs on our Challenge Course (low and high ropes elements).*

**Maintaining and preparing the Sports Complex fields for the summer event schedule*

**Assisting with Conference Center and Retreat Center activities and set-up*

**Spending time with our Athletes in Action staff for personal spiritual development*

Students interested in the Athletes in Action Sports Complex & Retreat Center internship program should complete the Seasonal Internship application located at <https://my.athletesinaction.org>.

All questions can be addressed to Kevin Geiss, Athletes in Action Sports Complex Marketing Director, via email (Kevin.Geiss@athletesinaction.org) or office phone (937.352.1233).

Note: If you are interested in other internship or summer opportunities with Athletes in Action, please visit <http://www.athletesinaction.org/opportunities/>.