

CHARTER SUMMER INTERNSHIP WITH SHUTTERFLY, INC. FOR BELMONT ABBEY COLLEGE

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Introduction

Doing an internship with a current employer is not customary for Belmont Abbey College but is allowed, with stipulations. One of those stipulations is that you are learning areas beyond your current job description. That stipulation aligned perfectly with my goal for this internship. I was eager to sharpen my skills within the department I worked in then and gain exposure to management so that they would be aware of my desire to move up within the company.

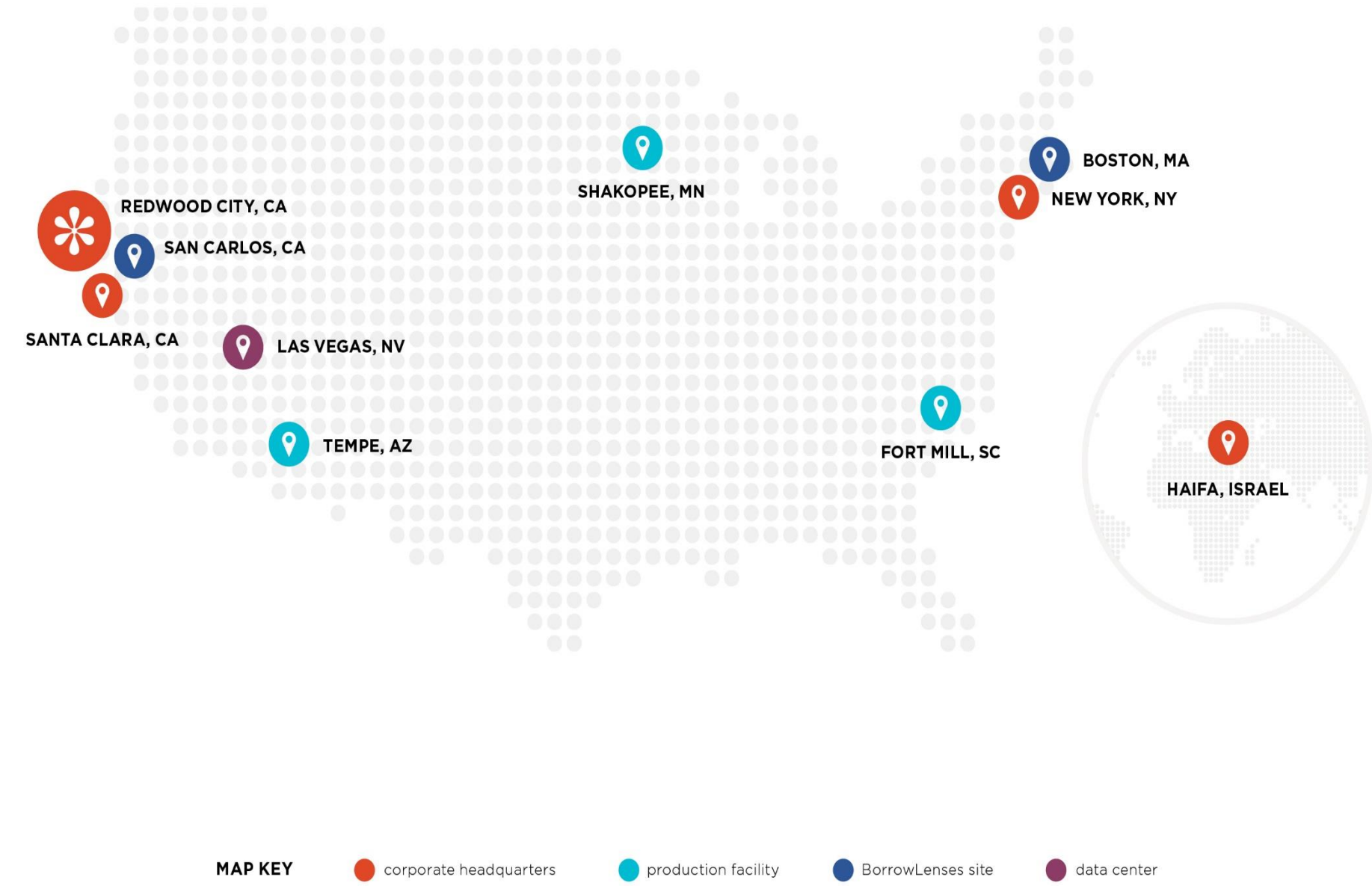
Goal Achieved

The goal I set for gaining exposure for myself with management at Shutterfly, INC., for being exposed to different jobs within my area, learning about positions in several other departments, and gaining better overall knowledge of the operations of Shutterfly, INC. was achieved. The first 80 hours of my internship were within the department I was working in, training under each of the Lead Supervisors for User Interfaces that I had not been previously trained in. This gave me a better understanding of the beginning-to-end process. For the final 40 hours of my internship, I was allowed to train throughout the facility with the manager of departments I was especially interested in. My two favorite opportunities were with the manager over Learning Development and with the Senior Technical Writer. I concluded my internship with a clearer understanding of the overall operations at Shutterfly, INC., Fort Mill, and a better sense of the direction I would like to pursue in moving up within the company.

Statistics

In the US, there are more than 300,000 interns per year. There are 60.80% paid and 39.20% unpaid internships in the US. 60% of recent graduates and first-year college students complete an internship. More than 70% of interns receive a job offer from the organization where they interned.(Mar 9, 2023<https://www.prosperityforamerica.org/internship-statistics/>)

Company Profile



Results



Conclusion

My charter summer internship with Shutterfly for fulfilling course requirements for Belmont Abbey College was successful. I finished my internship in August, and by September, I was aware of a position opening soon. I considered this position a significant next step in advancing my career with Shutterfly, but I thought it would become available after graduation. I hesitated to apply when the job was posted because of a heavy school load. I ultimately applied for the job, interviewed thrice, and was hired as an Account Coordinator in November 2022. My internship gave me the exposure and credibility to compete for this highly sought-after position.

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