

This summer I had the fortunate chance of participating with the Science Gateways Summer Coding Institute. Science gateways allow science & engineering communities to access shared data, software, computing services, instruments, educational materials, and other resources specific to their disciplines. The internship allowed me to get a better understanding for how the community works across a multidisciplinary field to help everyone get access to the computing tools that they need. In the future I would hope to be able to intern at the Lawrence Berkeley National Lab. I think these opportunities are crucial to the success of one's future career because the experience of being put outside your comfort zone as a computer scientist is important. I also believe this would allow me the opportunity to network with established professionals in my field as well as furthering my educational goals.

I am very excited to attend my first professional conference at PEARC19 in Chicago next month and I feel that this experience will give me more insight into my options as both a student and a professional.