

Your name: Cesar Monsalud

Your institution: University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign



Please insert a photo of yourself (preferably in action during your internship, but not required)

1. Tell us a little bit about yourself, including what you are studying.  
Hello everyone! My name is Cesar Monsalud, and I am majoring in Computer Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. I recently got my associate's in engineering science from the College of Lake County, so I am very excited to continue my education.
2. Where did your internship take place, and who did you work with?  
Because of quarantine, we had to move onto an online format for the internship. Using Zoom and Discord, I interact with college students all across the United States, and just because everything is virtual doesn't stop us from having fun.
3. What are some things that you learned as a result of this internship?  
I learned almost too many things at this internship. Just in our first week, we hit the

ground running learning languages such as HTML5, Unix Shell and Python. The week afterwards, we got to see what high performance computing was all about and apply the skills we gained last week to this session.

4. Do you see yourself engaging with SGCI again in the future? Perhaps when you begin your career?

I would love to interact with SGCI again. It has been such a great experience for me and all of the participants. It would be amazing to be able to interact with SGCI again when I start my career, and it would be even more amazing to have a career with SGCI.

5. Anything else to add about your internship experience?

Before the coding institute, I really felt inadequate in my skills and behind the curve. It seemed like I wasn't good enough to have a career in computer science. Now, after the coding institute, I feel so confident about myself, not only just because I am much more capable now, but because I was surrounded by good people who wanted to make sure that I excel.