



SUMMER OBSERVERSHIP PROGRAM

Participating Company Guide

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INTRODUCTION

The Illuminating Engineering Society of Los Angeles and Orange County will sponsor a six week Summer Observership Program that is open to lighting, architecture or electrical engineering students at an accredited university or college in the Los Angeles or Orange County metropolitan area. Candidates will be selected based on a combination of advisor recommendations, application and in-person interview with members of the IES LA and OC Boards.

OBJECTIVE

The IES LA/OC Observership Program provides the chosen students with an opportunity to spend time observing and participating in real world aspects of the professional lighting construction industry. Through the participation and support of IES Member companies, students will spend time at each of these companies observing how they fit into the overall lighting construction industry and in turn, strengthening their understanding of the industry.

COMPANY COMMITMENT

It is the commitment of the host companies to provide a learning environment to the Observer by exposing them to the most critical aspects of the company. This may include client meetings, design councils, company conferences, job walks, product seminars, etc. Participating companies will also provide a program coordinator that will be responsible for guiding and advising the Observer during the term of their attendance. All host companies are located in the Los Angeles or Orange County area.

INDUSTRY COMPONENTS

By spending time observing the day-to-day operations of multiple industry components, each student will achieve a broad understanding of the lighting industry as a whole, guiding their career goals.

1. Lighting Consulting and Design
2. Electrical Engineering
3. Lighting Manufacturing
4. Lighting Sales Agency (Manu. Rep)
5. Lighting Equipment Distribution

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