

Music Therapy Internship Survival Guide: Applying for Internships

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What I *don't* want in an internship:

Population	
Setting	
Location	
Therapeutic philosophy	
Supervision style	
Supervisor expectations	
Flexibility of hours	
Stipend	

What I *do* want in an internship:

Population	
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Therapeutic philosophy	
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Stipend	

*Star the items that you prefer not to compromise on.

Potential internship sites:

Name	App due date:	Start date:	Location:	Pop/ Setting:	Stipend?	National Roster?	Notes:

*Star your top four choices and write all application due dates on your calendar or planner.

What do you like about these top four choices?

Interview Checklist

Site:

Director Name:

Date:

Required Materials:

Required:	Prepared?

Questions to Ask:

- What does a typical day look like for your interns?
- How would you describe your supervision style with your interns?
- What kind of personal relationships do you have with your interns?
- What projects are required in this internship?
- Where are your former interns working now?
- What is one skill you expect your interns to come into the program with a solid foundation in?
- What is one skill you expect your interns to leave the program with a solid foundation in?
- (Write your own!)
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Impressions:

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Choosing an Internship

Site	Pros	Cons	Gut feelings:

Which internship director do you see yourself working best with and why?

Which program do you see yourself being happiest in and why?

Which program do you see yourself being most successful in and why?

What is most important to you in an internship? Which program best fit those needs?

If you had to pick one program right at this very minute, which would you chose and why?

You have the knowledge, training, and perseverance to not only make it through your internship, but to learn, grow, and thrive wherever you end up.

Take a deep breath, get your things organized, and rock those applications - you got this!



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