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INTERNS MAKE IMPACT IN LOCAL MANUFACTURERS BUSINESS

Representatives from Florida Gulf Coast University and Edison State College will present details of their Extensive Intern Programs

The Southwest Regional Manufacturing Association (SRMA) is supporting the hiring of Student Interns. The SRMA recognizes the important role student interns make in today's manufacturing field. Interns bring a firm educational background in the latest areas of Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics. They are eager to learn and contribute to the complexities of today's manufacturing. Educated and trained professionals are the life blood of growing entrepreneurial businesses. At the same time students recognize the importance of enhancing their academic preparation through practical, hands-on experience and the completion of challenging and meaningful work. An internship program gives the student experience in an area of commerce that is not understood or visible many graduating seniors. With over 800 manufacturers in SW Florida the need for skilled knowledgeable workers, especially as the economy begins to turn around, will be great.

To inform companies on how to hire and what their responsibilities are when bringing a qualified student intern into their business the SRMA has brought together representatives from FGCU and Edison State College. Liz Loreda Marketing and Events Coordinator, Career Development Services at FGCU will be presenting. She will cover the process for hiring an FGCU Student Intern using their well designed College Central Network website. Danet Foy from Edison State College will give details on their well established intern program that has been in existence for over 10 years and involved hundreds of forward thinking students.

The Southwest Regional Manufacturers Association is hosting a Dinner meeting April 21 at 6:00PM. The location will be at the New Holiday Inn on Alico Rd and I-75 (exit 128) and there will be an excellent dinner and a cash bar (reservations are required). Bring a job description with you for the type of student you think would fit best into your business.

SRMA is a professional organization representing SW Regional companies engaged in manufacturing operations producing products for local, national, and international markets. The purpose of the Association is to work together to encourage the economic development of Southwest Florida through manufacturing and to act as a forum for the expression, exchange of ideas and information among its members. Learn more about the SRMA by visiting their website www.srma.net, see what great things they have to offer. Contact Chet Sadler, the Executive Director of the association at 239-634-4295, advanced reservation is required for members and non-members.

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