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Western Michigan University student Brad Taylor gaining management experience with paint crew

By Jake Bolitho March 08, 2010, 9:00AM

He may be a biomedical sciences major, but for recent Hanover-Horton graduate Brad Taylor, an internship running his own painting crew matched his career endeavors perfectly.

A freshman at Western Michigan University, Taylor, 19, was accepted into a manager's internship position with Collegeworks Painting, a national student painter's company with 22 divisions in 19 states.

"I'm interested in dentistry, and business is a major part of it," he said. "You're running a business and dentistry is the product."

Taylor started his position in February and has yet to make any money.

Instead, he is focusing on the process of marketing his business, hiring employees and preparing for a busy summer — one he hopes will reap financial rewards.

His team's goal is to make at least \$50,000 over the course of the summer. The early legwork can be difficult, he said.

Taylor and his team of five marketers typically do their soliciting door-to-door in the more rural parts of Jackson County.

"You need to be very personable. I try not to come off as just a typical vacuum salesman," Taylor said. "You definitely get more people saying 'no' than 'yes.'"

He has found 25 people interested in having their homes painted so far.

On average, each individual project comes at a price tag of around \$3,000, Taylor said.

Taylor went through a five-interview process before being selected as a team manager. He said he can paint houses this summer if he wants to, but will serve in a more supervisory role than anything.

Mike Romigh, district manager for Collegeworks in Michigan, said he personally met with about 1,000 people interested in management positions prior to this year.

Only about 2 to 3 percent are usually selected.

"I knew Brad's communication skills were far and beyond some of the others," Romigh said. "He's really eager to learn, and that's the key."

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