

Senior Project FAQ



What is the Senior Project Program?

The Senior Project is one of the most unique aspects of the BASIS Charter School Curriculum. These projects offer an opportunity for our students to demonstrate the knowledge and research skills they have developed throughout their time in high school. Seniors blog weekly about their findings and share their findings in a final presentation to the community. Those who successfully complete a Senior Project graduate with High Honors.

How does the program work?

The Senior Project is voluntary and is not a paid experience. Students work from February through April, spending a minimum of 15 hours per week on-site or online for a total of ten weeks. Since students will not be taking third trimester classes, they are available to be on-site or online during the day.

BASIS Charter School students' team with site mentors (such as artists, corporate officers, doctors, lawyers, publishers, politicians, city officials, academic researchers, and educators) from a myriad of organizations and fields.

What are the benefits to my organization?

On average, BASIS Charter School students are two years ahead of typical high school students. Going into the senior year, students will have completed a minimum of 6 Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Consequently, our seniors have already met all state and school graduation requirements allowing them the time to focus their full attention on their Senior Project.

As eager and capable learners, BASIS Charter School seniors offer a fresh perspective to their project sites. Many site mentors are so impressed with our students' work that they continue to offer internships year after year and often offer continued internship opportunities.

What is the process for site placement?

Students identify possible areas of interest and develop a research plan and proposal. Throughout this process, each student works directly with a Faculty Adviser at their school. Students then contact possible partners and provide resumes for review. A single site may take on as many students as they are able to support. Prior to offering a senior placement, you may meet with them to discuss expectations and goals.

2020 EXAMPLES



Saul A.

Hospital Nacional Nicolasa Cruz
(Jalapa, Guatemala)

"The Story of the Individual:
Analyzing the Relationship
Between Access to Healthcare
and Income"



Elena R.

Caballo del Ray Equestrian
Art Academy

"Technical Analysis of Classical
and Competitive Dressage:
A Study of Lightness on the
Fluidity and Ease of the Horse."

Interested?

If you or someone you know would be interested in hosting a BASIS Charter School senior at your workplace, please contact **Kristen Jordison** - kristen.jordison@based.com.

