



The Comet Experience Certificate Summer 2016

As a J-1 student intern you are expected to attend a certain number of cross-cultural activities during your time at UT Dallas. The Comet Experience is designed so you can learn about Texas and the U.S., get involved, share your culture with others, and explore Dallas. After successful completion of The Comet Experience, student interns will receive a Comet Experience Certificate. The Comet Experience is outlined below:

Length of time on DS-2019	Number of expected cross-cultural activities to attend
3 weeks – 1 month	2 cross-cultural activities (1 which is UTD sponsored)
1 month – 2 months	3 cross-cultural activities (1 which is UTD sponsored)
2 months or longer	4 cross-cultural activities (2 which are UTD sponsored)

Please note: The number of activities listed above are the minimum required for you to receive The Comet Experience Certificate. You are encouraged to attend as many activities as you can.

Examples of cross-cultural activities:

- English Conversation Hour (ECH)*. ECH is every Tuesday and Thursday and it includes conversation, games, and written activities that will improve your English skills and knowledge of American culture.
- Celebratory events
 - Juneteenth celebration
 - 4th of July celebration
 - Stars and Stripes*
- UTD Career Center seminar*
- International Center workshops and cultural trips*
- Volunteer in the community
- Explore Dallas with your lab mates via DART or Zipcar (visit a park, city events, attractions, etc.)
- Have dinner in an American home

* UTD sponsored event



The Comet Experience

Instructions: Complete as many sections as you need to share your Comet Experience with the International Center. J-1 Interns who complete The Comet Experience will receive a Comet Experience Certificate.

Name of Cross-Cultural Activity #1: UTD Sponsored: Yes/No	Date Attended:
What did you learn from attending this special event?	
Name of Cross-Cultural Activity #2: UTD Sponsored: Yes/No	Date Attended:
What did you learn from attending this special event?	
Name of Cross-Cultural Activity #3: UTD Sponsored: Yes/No	Date Attended:
What did you learn from attending this special event?	
Name of Cross-Cultural Activity #4: UTD Sponsored: Yes/No	Date Attended:
What did you learn from attending this special event?	