



SDSU Student Accounting Society

Meeting Minutes: SDG&E / Sempra Energy “Company Overview & Tips For Success”

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Presentation:

- *Sempra Energy*
 - Vision: deliver energy with a purpose
 - Fortune 500 Company
 - 20,000 employees
 - Values: do the right thing, champion people, shape the future
 - Own utility and infrastructure company, SDG&E included
- *Where We Are*
 - North America only currently
 - Looking to expand into South America
- *Internship and Rotation Programs*
 - Ten to twelve week experience
 - Finance & accounting
 - Provides an extended overview to understand student strengths and awareness
 - Community service vents, site tours, Padres games, lunch & learn events (manager/director talks to interns about their department/how they contribute), SD County Fair Scavenger Hunt, JAG (Joint Associates Group) events
 - Managers heavily involved in rotational program
 - Placed with a mentor in the program!
 - Benefits: variety, challenging, exposure (networking),
 - Opportunity to work with many aspects of the organization
 - Gives you a leg up in comparison to a new hire without that experience
- *Tips for Success*
 - Ask questions and challenge yourself and others
 - Take on increasing responsibility without being asked
 - Become the go-to person
 - Embrace change and be open to new experiences
 - Be approachable and stay true to yourself
- *Program Requirements*

- Bachelor's or master's degree in: Accounting, Finance, Economics
- GPA of 3.0 or higher!
- Must have ongoing authorization to work in the US
- sempra.com/poweryourcareer

Questions:

- What if you're naturally shy, how will that affect working for Semptra?
 - There are introverts and extroverts working at the company.
 - Just be yourself and be confident as you can - fake it until you make it.
- Is CPA certification required?
 - No, not required!
 - There are many managers and executives that don't have anything past their Bachelor's.
- What grade level is preferred for the internship and rotational program?
 - Sophomores and up usually, but they encourage freshmen to apply because you never know what will happen.