“...I wrote for various sections of the paper - news, business and real estate, community, schools and even bridal. I wrote a total of 11 stories and very much value the chance I had to develop my skills and confidence as a reporter. Additionally, I appreciate the opportunity I had to observe the inner- workings of a local paper that maintains a readership of approximately 17,000 print subscribers.”
~ An-Li Herring, Rebele Intern 2017

“...I got to meet a lot of interesting, accomplished people, learn about their lives, and most importantly, I got to write prolifically... By the end of the internship, I felt like I was part of the staff.”
~ Niuniu Teo, Rebele Intern 2013

“This past summer was one of the most memorable I have experienced. At the Los Altos Town Crier there was something so incredibly humbling about walking to the office and meeting people directly affected by what I wrote. My first assignment was to cover the weekly city council meeting, a seemingly mundane event that brought about a story that held great significance for the citizens. It was one that was worthy of being talked about in several follow-up stories and around town. It’s experiences like (this) that have helped me forge ahead.”
~ Cassandra Feliciano, Rebele Intern 2010

The Town Crier provides an ideal setting for breaking into the trade and gaining good hands-on experience with a variety of journalistic duties, offering a well-rounded internship experience. Interns handle everything from hard news to full-blown personality profiles – even line-editing and layout, along with computer skills, and are essentially treated like other staff writers at the TC. Duties would include reporting, writing, editing, multimedia work and some design (pagination) and online work, if the intern is interested.

The paper has been published every Wednesday and has a circulation of about 16,500. Our main readership includes the communities of Los Altos, Los Altos Hills and Mountain View. The paper varies in length between 56 and 64 pages weekly. Our niche is covering our local communities, so there are no wire services – just information about our own people, groups, places and events.

Internships are also available during fall, winter and spring, when the rate of pay is a little higher, and there is also a better opportunity for publication of intern work than in summer because our newspapers are generally bigger.

We usually require 240 hours of work – equivalent to 6 weeks at full-time, or 12 weeks part-time. Internships can begin and end at any period throughout the summer. Hours are flexible. Interns are paid $4 an hour by the newspaper and are eligible to receive a supplemental Rebele stipend of up to $2,200.

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