



THE SPORTS INTERN

INTERN INSIGHTS

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➤ INTERSHIP RECAP:



Gabriella Davis is a senior at the University of South Florida, double majoring in Environmental Science & Policy and English. This past year, they spent six months as a **Sustainability Intern** with **Penske Entertainment** at the iconic Indianapolis Motor Speedway, helping to implement and improve the venue's environmental initiatives.

During their time with Penske, Gabriella worked both behind the scenes and trackside - tracking utilities and fuel usage, managing textile recycling programs, and assisting with waste systems during major events like the Indy 500.

➤ KEY TAKEAWAYS:

- Understanding how essential accurate data tracking is for hitting sustainability goals and making smarter decisions long-term.
- Skills in communicating sustainability efforts to a wide range of audiences, from race fans to corporate leaders.

➤ FUTURE ASPIRATIONS:

Up next: two more environmental science internships.

Their dream job? Working in sustainability or community impact within motorsports, whether with a league, team, or track.



GABRIELLA'S TIPS

1. **Use your network**, whether that is *fellow interns, departmental supervisors, or local sports professionals*.
2. Be flexible and ready to learn; every day brings something new, so **be adaptable**, willing, and a quick thinker.
3. Don't forget to take it all in! Take advantage of every opportunity, **enjoy the experience**, and ask a lot of questions.