

Dear ParisTech Arts & Metiers,

I hereby, \_\_\_\_\_Vincent Leonetti\_\_\_\_, give my full authorization to publish the content of this letter on your website in recognessence of the financial support that you have provided me with.

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Date: 22/01/201

Signature:



1. Name of student, background, professional aspirations (1 paragraph, 5 lines)

I am Vincent Leonetti, 23 years old. I have lived in Paris for 21 years before leaving for Lille to join the ENSAM ParisTech Lille School. About my professional aspirations, I really start to focus on the project management, but still open regarding the field (energy, telecommunication, automobile).

2. Please tell us how you were able to get your internship, and the date and length of your stay (1 paragraph, 5 lines)

I found a proposition on the Alstom Power website. Two months after they received my CV and cover letter, I received a phone call from the USA and finally an interview in Levallois (at Alstom Headquarter). Thus, I started my Internship in Chattanooga, Tennessee July the 1<sup>st</sup> till December, the 30<sup>th</sup> (6 months).

3. Please tell us the company or university where you interned and the objective of your internship (1 paragraph, 10 lines), and why you were excited to work there. (1 paragraph, 10 lines)

I worked for Alstom Power as Assistant Project Manager. Alstom is a global leader in the world of power generation. The project was the implementation of a factory to prepare rotors and turbo machines destined for nuclear power station. The whole project was divided into 4 parts and I was working directly for the Balancing Facility project. I was very glad to have this opportunity because the project was really impressive. The Bunker I was in charge of in the Balancing Facility is simply the biggest in the world and this project is definitely (one of) the biggest Alstom project! By the way, my team, which was called the implementation team, was clearly the more challenging one. Therefore the project was really interesting. Thus, The people from my team were cool. Coworkers came from New York, Atlanta, and also Switzerland, Germany, France... Very welcoming, motivating and clever people! Basically, a huge opportunity!

4. Please tell us how you used the funds provided by American Friends of Arts et Metiers (1 paragraph, 5 lines)

I am back in Paris. I found an apartment. But Paris is said to be a very expensive city for a student, and it is definitely way too much true! I have a lot of work to do in my apartment and these funds will be very welcomed!

5. Please summarize your internship, how you achieved the company/university's objectives (1 paragraph, 5 lines), as well as your own personal goals and lessons from this experience (1 paragraph, 5 lines), and finally how this impacted your professional aspirations (1 paragraph, 5 lines).

As Assistant Project Manager, my objective was to manage - with the Project Manager and a Field Engineer- the Facility construction, the machine installations and to help in the process of reporting for Headquarter presentations. Basically my goal was to deal with some actions I was in charge of (as for example the doors installation and security devices) and also to deal with all the kind of problem and especially conflicts we can met during construction, between the contractor, the designers, the architects and the client (us) as quickly as possible.

Regarding my personal goal, I was looking forward to live an international professional experience. One of my question marks was "Do I want to work in the USA?" and I think a 6 months internship was a good way to find out what I want. I am still not able to say yes or no but I would love to do an internship in a big American city and I was really glad to be able to hear my spoken English improving weeks after weeks.

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By the way, It was really cool to have found a place in project management because it was one of my principal professional project choice and the biggest impact of this internship was definitely to have found out that I still feel like continuing in this path. I won't stop looking in other direction but it is nice to know that this experience can be the first step of a project management career.