

## Virginia Bankers Association Summer Internship Program Capstone Project & Presentation Guidelines

Interns participating in the VBA Summer Internship Program are required to complete a capstone project and presentation as part of the Certificate of Completion requirements. This project will be completed by the intern throughout the summer and due by [date agreed upon by the bank and intern, no later than August 4, 2023].

### **Format Guidelines for Written Component of the Project:**

- Project must be typed and submitted in a Microsoft Word document.
- Project must not deviate from the assigned topic.
- □ Project must be typed in 12-point Times New Roman font.
- □ Page set-up must include 1.5 line spacing with all margins set to 1 inch.
- □ Project is limited to five pages, not including the title page (approximately 1,500 words).
- □ Include a title page with the following information:
  - Title of project
  - Name
  - Personal and bank email addresses
  - Phone number
  - College/university name
  - Name of bank
  - o Name of mentor/supervisor
  - Date submitted
- □ Those who plagiarize will not be eligible to receive the VBA Certificate of Completion. All ideas must be your own. Any references must be cited.

#### **Format Guidelines for the Presentation Component of the Project:**

\*Presentation date, location and audience will be decided by the bank. A virtual presentation is also a way for interns to share their research findings with your organization.

- Presentation must have a visual aid (PowerPoint, Canva, Google Slides, etc.).
- □ Presentation must adhere to capstone project topic and summarize the information in the written component of the project in a logical, creative and thoughtful way.
- Presentation must show evidence of preparation.
- □ Presentation should be a minimum of [X] minutes in length, not to exceed [X] minutes.
- Presentation must include time for Q&A.

#### Written Component and Visual Aid will be Submitted to:

- The Virginia Bankers Association as part of the Certificate of Completion checklist.
- [Intern's mentor/supervisor contact information]

### Written Component of the Project Will be Assessed by the Mentor Using the Following Scale:

| Capstone Project Rubric                                | Exceeds Expectation | Meets<br>Expectation | Needs<br>Improvement |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Adherence to topic                                     |                     |                      |                      |
| Logical interpretation of the topic; easy to follow    |                     |                      |                      |
| Interesting and thoughtful presentation of the topic   |                     |                      |                      |
| Grammatically correct                                  |                     |                      |                      |
| Proper project format (did not exceed 5 pages, correct |                     |                      |                      |
| document set-up, etc.)                                 |                     |                      |                      |
| Sources are cited                                      |                     |                      |                      |

# <u>Presentation Component of the Project Will be Assessed by the Mentor Using the Following Scale:</u>

| Capstone Presentation Rubric                                  | Exceeds Expectation | Meets<br>Expectation | Needs<br>Improvement |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Adherence to topic  |                     |                      |                      |
| Logical interpretation of the topic; interesting,             |                     |                      |                      |
| thoughtful and easy to follow                                 |                     |                      |                      |
| Evidence of preparation                                       |                     |                      |                      |
| Posture, eye contact and voice projection [adjust if          |                     |                      |                      |
| doing a virtual presentation]                                 |                     |                      |                      |
| Use of visual aid   |                     |                      |                      |
| Quality of visual aid   |                     |                      |                      |
| Demonstration of understanding and interest in subject matter |                     |                      |                      |