In a Nutshell

**BEFORE:** Oceanography Student at *Kutztown University of PA*

**NOW:** Marine Technician in Bermuda (BIOS)
What happened between “Before” and “After”?  

- **Realization** that Marine Science Technology was my area of interest.  
- **Foot in the Door.** Somehow I needed to get past my lack of real world experience.  
- **Discovering MATE** is the only path for most of us who want to get into the Marine Technology Field.  
- **Internship** taught me relevant skills and gave me the experience I needed to get a marine technician job.  
- **Hired** as a marine technician only because of MATE.
My Internship

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Before MATE Internship

Not Fully Prepared

Tech experience
Science experience
No MT experience
No advantage
But motivated...
My MATE Advantage

Work experience

Career planning

The *right* skills

One-on-One Networking

New possibilities