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>>KATRINA: It's that time of year again! Over 1200 students across the country are starting

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their summer internships at the 10 NASA centers and NASA Headquarters. And here

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at the Goddard Space Flight Center, over 300 students are joining our workforce

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for the summer. A lot of them are inside the Visitor Center right now

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checking in for their first day, so, let's go say hi! [music]

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working on this summer? >>ANJALI: Um, I'm working on stuff with magnetic shape alloy memory.

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>>LUCAS: I'm working on the virtual file system, so I'm a

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computer science major. >>TRANG: I'm working on CubeSats. So they're basically like satellites

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condensed down to these little 4-inch cubes. >>JITIN: I'll be working with

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building an expert system, it's an artificial intelligence project. >>JOSHUA: I would say that I'm

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working on an independent rocket that's going to be launching from Alaska up to the aurora borealis.

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>>KATRINA: When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up? >>SAMUEL: Um, a paleontologist.

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>>KATRINA: That's cool! So what changed your mind?

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>>SAMUEL: Uh, I guess life. >>JITIN: I wanted to be a pilot when I was a kid.

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>>TRANG: Um, I wanted to be a flight attendant, because I wanted to see the world. >>ANJALI: I just knew that.

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wanted to do something in space. >>KATRINA: Well, mission accomplished right?

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>>ANJALI: Yeah. >>RAY: Um, a magician, for sure. >>JESSICA: For a while.

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I wanted to be a paleontologist. >>KATRINA: You know that's the second.

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paleontologist we've gotten so far. So, have you made any progress toward becoming a magician?

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>>RAY: Um, like NASA's pretty magical I guess.

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>>KATRINA: When you hear "NASA", what do you think of, what are your expectations?

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>>LUCAS: Um, NASA, so I think like ground-breaking.

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space research, um, I think of satellites. >>VIRGINIA: I think of

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rocket scientists and really intelligent people.

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>>TRANG: Um, well my first thoughts, definitely like spacecraft

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and going to space, but there's also a lot more that Goddard offered that I had

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no idea that they worked on. >>KATRINA: So when you think of "NASA", what do you think of,

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what are your expectations? >>WALLACE: Space, and,

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exploration. >>KATRINA: Well, we've got plenty of that here. Did you ever

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think that you would be working here? >>VIRGINIA: No, not in a million

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years. >>KATRINA: Would you rather visit Titan or Europa?

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>>TRANG: Hmm, that's a hard one.

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Titan. Because I like the name. >>ANJALI: Probably Europa. >>JESSICA: I'll go for

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Europa. >>JITIN: Titan, maybe. >>JOSHUA: I think I'm going to go ahead and say Titan. >>LUCAS: Europa.

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>>RAY: Titan. >>VIRGINIA: Europa. >>SAMUEL: It's a hard decision for me, personally.

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>>KATRINA: They're both just so awesome. >>SAMUEL: Exactly. I can't really give you, I don't

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want to downsize the other one, so. >>JOSHUA: I am ecstatic to work here.

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It's really a, one of my lifelong dreams just come true.

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>>TRANG: I'm so excited. It's going to be a great summer.

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>>KATRINA: Okay. We're going to stop bugging them now and let the interns attend their

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orientation. But this is just the beginning for the interns. They have an exciting 10 weeks

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ahead of them. To keep track of what the interns are up to this summer, stay tuned to

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