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The Global Bachelor's Program Internship Guide

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Tips & Advice

for Working Abroad

1. **Start your search a year in advance.** Finding an international internship is often a lengthy process, and it is important to gather research and start applying early.
2. **Make a spreadsheet.** Outline deadlines for summer internship programs of interest to ensure you do not miss critical submission timelines. You may also use previous summer internship deadlines to predict a likely deadline for the next summer.
3. **Utilize your networks.** Speak with with other students, faculty, host families, family members, and friends. Use your networks that you have established in the previous countries you have resided in, so they can connect you to hidden opportunities in that region.
4. **Improve your language skills.** Having a strong proficiency in the language native to the region grants you access to other opportunities, so use this to your advantage!
5. **Locate U.S.-based companies and organizations.** Interning at a multinational organization/company based in the U.S. first can make it easier for you to transfer to an international office.
6. **Check visa guidelines.** Each nation has its own specific set of guidelines for expats who pursue in-country employment. Be sure to check the organization's internship posting and the U.S. Department of State's "[Learn About Your Destination](#)" tool to understand more about sponsorship & visa requirements.
7. **Research culturally-specific etiquette.** Having a robust understanding of a country's specific CV or resume format, hidden interview etiquette, and other cultural work norms can set you apart from other candidates.

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Red Flags

for Working Abroad

Upfront costs

Do not make any payments or cash any checks to your direct employer.

No contract

Lack of a clear contract or no contract for the position you plan to apply to is a bad sign.

Vague job descriptions

Lack of clear job descriptions and details of specific responsibilities may be an indication of a scam.

Negative reviews

If upon further research, you noticed many bad reviews on [GlassDoor](#), [Yelp](#), and/or [Google](#), this is a red flag.

Lack of clear communication

If your employer does not communicate with you clearly and in a timely manner, this may not be an organization worth pursuing an internship with.

Promises of unrealistic compensation

Research [GlassDoor](#) and inquire about compensation for the specific position you are applying to see what a typical salary range is. If your salary is not around this range, it may be a scam.



Resources

for Working Abroad

To find more country-specific resources and abroad opportunities, check out Interstride!



Interstride

Organizations with Summer Internships Abroad

- [OECD](#)
- [Red Bull](#)
- [United Nations](#)
- [Bank of America](#)
- [Goldman Sachs](#)
- [Nike](#)
- [Google](#)
- [Morgan Stanley](#)
- [Qorvo](#)
- [Microsoft](#)
- [UNICEF](#)
- [Yunus Centre](#)
- [Nokia](#)
- [IFRC](#)
- [The Carter Center](#)
- [Conservation International](#)
- [Save the Children](#)
- [Daimler](#)
- [eBay](#)
- [JP Morgan](#)
- [IOM Un Migration](#)
- [Qualcomm](#)
- [Natwest Group](#)
- [U.S. Department of State](#)

Students on the Asia Pacific track are eligible to receive up to \$3,500 in support from the C.V. Starr fund, which can be applied towards an international internship.

Visit the Global Bachelor's Program website to learn more!

Provider Programs & More

GW does not recommend students pursue internship opportunities that require payment, particularly because the rigor of the actual work experience may be lacking. However, we have included a list below of established provider internship programs since many GBP students find this information helpful.

Interning Abroad

- [BUNAC](#)
- [InterExchange](#)
- [Intrax](#)
- [Association Internationale des Étudiants en Sciences Économiques et Commerciales \(AIESEC\)](#)
- [CIEE](#)
- [CIS Abroad](#)
- [Cultural Vistas](#)
- [International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience \(IAESTE\)](#)
- [International Studies Abroad \(ISA\)](#)
- [IES Abroad](#)
- [ISEP](#)
- [American Scandinavian Foundation \(ASF\)](#)
- [Teach for China](#)
- [The Intern Group](#)

Have you heard of [KACIF Funding](#)?

Get up to \$3,000 for your unpaid international internship!

**KACIF Funding is only applicable for necessarily unpaid opportunities with nonprofits, NGOs, and government affiliations. Funding is not applicable for any of the “pay-to-play” internships.*