US-SPONSORED IAEA INTERNSHIPS

Many students and recent graduates interested in gaining international experience possess a wide array of desirable skills and values that can greatly contribute to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Vienna, Austria. By awarding over 150 internships per year, the IAEA allows these young people to gain practical work experience in line with their interests and exposes them to the work of the IAEA and United Nations. Starting in 2015, IAEA Programs at Argonne National Laboratory started to supplement this program by sponsoring up to six U.S. interns each year.



Opportunities

Each year, IAEA Programs advertises a list of select internship opportunities throughout the IAEA's non-Safeguards Departments. These internships can take place either at the IAEA's Vienna headquarters or one of its two laboratories (in Seibersdorf, Austria or the Principality of Monaco). While each internship opportunity is different, interns generally assist senior professionals of a Section/Laboratory in either an office or laboratory setting. All advertised lists of internships will provide a description of the tasks proposed.



Eligibility

To be eligible for a US-sponsored internship, the applicant must be a U.S. citizen. Additionally, the applicant must meet the IAEA's general internship eligibility requirements: a minimum age of 20 and at least three years of full-time studies completed at a university or equivalent institution. Candidates may apply up to one year after the completion of their bachelor's, master's or doctorate degree. An applicant must also not have previously participated in an IAEA internship and must attach two signed letters of recommendation to their application.



Desired Background

The diverse activities of the IAEA allow for a wide-range of educational backgrounds to participate in an internship. Fields include the natural sciences, engineering, social sciences or humanities, information technology, and administration/management. Fluency in additional IAEA official languages (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, Spanish) is an asset. Each advertised internship will indicate the desired educational background for that particular opportunity.



Benefit

All interns sponsored by IAEA Programs will receive round-trip airfare between the U.S. and Vienna (or Monaco for internships at the IAEA Environment Laboratories) and a one-time US\$2,000 allowance grant to assist with any relocation costs and/or rental deposits. Throughout the duration of the internship, each intern will also receive a monthly €1000 stipend to assist with basic subsistence costs (such as rent, meals, incidentals, and public transportation). Medical insurance will also be provided by the IAEA's group plan for interns.



Dates, Duration and How to Apply

The list of opportunities is available on the IAEA Careers webpage during November and December (at international.anl.gov/careers) for internships that begin the following spring or summer. Each internship has a duration of one year. To apply, interested candidates must complete and submit an online IAEA applicant profile (available at iaea.org/about/jobs/ howtoapply) and send an internship checklist, resume, cover letter and two letters of recommendations in one PDF to international.anl.gov/IAEA-Careers.html.



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