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State Department Internship Program For Students 2026/2025

Hiring organization
State Department

Employment Type
Intern

Duration of employment
6 Months

Industry
International Affairs

Job Location
Washington, D.C., United States, 20001, Washington, D.C., United States

Working Hours
8

Base Salary
10

Date posted
March 5, 2026

Valid through
25.02.2027

Description

Embark on a unique and globally-focused internship experience with the State Department through our Internship Program for the academic year 2026/2025. This program provides students with the opportunity to engage in the diplomatic world, contribute to the work of the State Department, and gain hands-on experience in international relations and affairs.

Responsibilities

- Collaborate with departmental teams on projects related to foreign policy, international development, and diplomatic initiatives.
- Assist in research, data analysis, and preparation of reports on global issues.
- Participate in meetings, workshops, and training sessions to enhance understanding of diplomatic processes.
- Contribute to administrative tasks, documentation, and project coordination.
- Engage with mentors and professionals to maximize learning and professional growth.
- Support day-to-day operations within assigned departments.

Qualifications

- Currently enrolled as a full-time undergraduate or graduate student.
- Pursuing a degree in a relevant field such as International Relations, Political Science, Public Administration, or a related discipline.
- Strong academic standing with a minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively.
- Demonstrated interest in international relations and global affairs.

Experience

- Prior internship experience in international relations, diplomacy, or related fields is a plus.
- Familiarity with global issues and geopolitical developments is advantageous.

Skills

- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite.
- Effective communication and negotiation abilities.
- Adaptability and willingness to learn new skills.
- Detail-oriented with excellent organizational skills.

Job Benefits

- Competitive stipend for the duration of the internship.
- Exposure to various aspects of international diplomacy and foreign affairs.
- Networking opportunities with professionals in the State Department.
- Mentorship from experienced diplomatic staff.
- Potential for academic credit (subject to educational institution policies).

How To Apply

Interested candidates should submit a resume, cover letter, and academic transcripts. Please include “State Department Internship Application” in the email subject line. In your cover letter, highlight your motivation for applying, relevant skills, and how this internship aligns with your career goals. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews.

The State Department is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from individuals of all backgrounds