

The IIP Database is meant to streamline searching and applying for international internships for UW-Madison undergraduate students. This document will answer basic questions about the opportunities, how to search, review, and apply. Please contact us via e-mail or at [walk-in advising](#) with any questions!

Types of Opportunities Included

1. **IIP-Cultivated Positions:** These are internship positions that the International Internship Program has cultivated specifically for UW-Madison students. They will appear highlighted in a red/pink color in the search results. In most cases, you will apply for these by uploading and submitting your materials through the database. These internships are only open to UW-Madison students or they have reserved spots/preference for UW-Madison students so they are an ideal place to start. Many are through alumni or other Wisconsin connections.
2. **Other UW-Madison Positions/Programs:** We have also included IAP Study Abroad and Business International Programs opportunities. There are links provided to go to their websites to find more details and apply for these. Most of these are with placement programs that match you in an internship for a fee.
3. **External Opportunities:** These are open opportunities that IIP is familiar with through past student participation, research, or advertisements. These are often open to anyone (nationwide or worldwide) and we've included them here to help promote them to UW-Madison students. You need to apply independently with the link provided, though IIP is happy to help during the application and acceptance process.
4. **Fee-based Placement Programs:** Other than those approved by UW study abroad offices, we do not list these. You can check our [Fee-based Programs webpage](#) to find links on non-UW databases where you can find a wide range of these programs and we can advise.

Searching for Internships

Click Search to see all opportunities in the database. By default you will see both those currently accepting applications, and past ones that are likely to repeat, but are not yet open for a future term (see Y/N in the Open column to confirm). They appear alphabetically by Internship Name.

Start simple and get more specific as you may miss opportunities or get no results!

Keyword Search: This will search through the opportunity title, field(s), and primary internship duties. It will search any word you enter. This is a good place to start narrowing your search.

Country: Search by country of placement. Some opportunities may have multiple countries, because you can intern in more than one place. Worldwide means something is available in many locations.

Duration: You can pick the time (ex: Fall) during which you want to intern. We update opportunities as we have them so if you're planning ahead there may not yet be anything for that term, but you can look at past examples.

World Region: Search by region, rather than specific countries

Field: You can pick the main field area of interest.

Additional Filters

Just for UW students: This option only lists IIP-cultivated or other UW-Madison positions/programs.

Open for applications: Limit to programs that are currently accepting applications.

Placement Program: Limit to study abroad programs that include an internship (generally offered through IAP or Business International Programs)

Only English Required: These internships only require English language skills, even if English isn't the official language of the host country.

Global Health Eligible: These internships are eligible for the Global Health field experience on a case-by-case approval basis.

Open to Grad Students: Graduate students may apply for the opportunities listed here.

You can **Clear** your search results to see more or start over.

Viewing Opportunities

Each internship post is divided into the following 3 sections:

Internship Information section will give you an overview of the opportunity including location, duration, primary internship duties, qualifications, and language information.

Logistics section will show you any estimated costs (these are only estimates, individual budgeting and other factors will affect this). It will also include information on housing and credit. The [Worldwide Internship Program](#) is an online course offered to any students interning abroad during a semester or summer; it may be required or recommended. Some available scholarships are listed.

Application Process section will tell you required items for applying, deadline, and any other information. For IIP opportunities you will have a link to apply through us; for external you will be guided to their website for more information.

Applying for Internships

*For any internship with the **Proceed to Application** button, you can apply within the system.*

1. Review the details of the opportunity and any application instructions to help guide you.
2. **Required Documentation:** Upload one file for each required item. PDF files are strongly preferred.
3. **Additional Information:** If any other items, such as language skills, are required you can enter that here. If a language is preferred or required you will be prompted to select your level from None to Native. There is a free-text box to provide further description of your language proficiency.
4. **Submit:** Once all required items are uploaded or filled out you may click Submit. Make sure to click Submit before the deadline. If you apply early IIP will review and may give you feedback for updates before submitting to the organization.