



MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
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Organization Profile: The Mayor's Office for International Affairs serves as the liaison between the City and New York City's international community, which includes 193 Permanent Missions, 115 Consulates and the citizens they serve, and the headquarters of the United Nations. At the direction of Mayor de Blasio and under the leadership of Commissioner Abeywardena, the Office is building a global platform from which the City can promote its goals for a more just and equitable society, showcase the diversity of New Yorkers and share policies and best practices with the world. The Office also works to foster positive relations and to encourage collaboration between the international community, international businesses and New York City's agencies and local neighborhoods.

Internship Description: Every semester, the Mayor's Office for International Affairs offers internships to exceptional students interested in government, international affairs, and economic development. The Office's economic development work includes engaging with the diplomatic community, international businesses, and City agencies to attract and create economic opportunities for New Yorkers. The Office works with international businesses and startups considering entering NYC, and with NYC-based businesses and startups interested in selling internationally. We also work on new policies and programs to drive inclusive economic development, and share economic development best practices between the City, United Nations, and cities/countries around the world. Interns assigned to the Mayor's Office for International Affairs are responsible for assisting staff in their day-to-day activities on a range of issues. This includes:

- Researching and drafting briefing memos for events, meetings and prospective engagement for strategic partnerships.
- Conducting outreach to the international diplomatic community and the wider NYC community on programs and events organized by the Office and other NYC agencies.
- Supporting engagement strategies related to economic development initiatives.
- Providing logistical support for events hosted by the Office.
- Supporting staff in meetings by taking notes and preparing readouts.

Interns must possess excellent speaking, writing, and computer skills (including Excel) and be able to efficiently work collaboratively and with minimal guidance. Applicants should have a demonstrated interest in international economic affairs.

Time Commitment and Requirements: Internships run on an academic calendar, with separate sessions for the fall, spring and summer semesters. During the summer, we require a full-time commitment from interns (Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). All internships are unpaid. If interns would like to pursue course credit for their internship, they must coordinate all necessary approvals and documentation with their college/university. Interns are responsible for their own travel and housing expenses.

Application Instructions: To apply for an internship, please apply [here](#) and indicate an interest in International Affairs. In your cover letter, please indicate your interest in the Economic Development internship. Only applicants being considered will be contacted. Please do not call to inquire about the status of your application.

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