

Asia Society Policy Institute Internship Opportunity

Location: Washington, D.C.

Period of Internship: (May-August)

Announcement:

The Washington, D.C. office of the Asia Society Policy Institute (ASPI) is seeking exceptional interns with a demonstrated interest in the social, political, and economic challenges in Asia. The selected intern will directly support the Asia Society Policy Institute's senior leadership with their research agendas and programming in Washington, D.C. Ideal candidates will have strong research/writing skills and experience with office/event support. Candidates should have a demonstrated interest in one or all of the following issue areas:

- International trade with and within Asia, including negotiations for regional and bilateral free trade agreements in the region, the World Trade Organization (WTO), emerging trade and investment frameworks, and regional economic integration.
- Economic and infrastructure development issues, including trends in development aid and investment flows, multilateral development organizations, and the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI).
- Political, security, diplomatic, and economic affairs related to Iran, India, and West Asia/Middle East.
- Digital diplomacy and emerging technology issues, including global technology supply chains, technological innovation, digital trade, 5G deployment, and U.S.-China technology rivalry and cybersecurity concerns.

In addition to learning and participating in a substantive research agenda, all ASPI policy interns will also be included in conference/event coordinating and will have the opportunity to attend and report on public and private policy discussions. ASPI's intern program incorporates regular professional development opportunities, such as the opportunity to meet policy professionals during events such as private "brown-bag" lunches.

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Education and prior experience most suited for this internship:

Familiarity with Asia policy issues through previous academic study and/or internship experience; must have the ability to work independently; strong research, writing, and editing skills; excellent attention to detail; ability to meet tight deadlines; proficiency with Microsoft Excel and Social Media; flexibility with handling diverse tasks; U.S. government experience not required, but highly desirable.

Internships are **unpaid** positions. Please note that we do not provide visa support. Candidates are asked to commit to a minimum of 12 weeks, and at least 24 hours per week. Full-time commitments are generally preferred.

How to apply:

Send email with **subject line:** “ASPI D.C. Intern Summer 2020” to AsiaDC@asiasociety.org with the following attachments:

- 1) Cover Letter, indicating your interest in the position and the days and hours you are available
- 2) Resume
- 3) Writing sample (2–4 pages; abstracts are accepted) in Word or PDF format

In the body of their email, candidates should also indicate the issue area(s) that most appeals to them.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Due to the large volume of applications we receive, we are only able to contact those candidates selected for an interview. No phone calls, please.

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