Asia Society Policy Institute Internship Opportunity – Spring 2022

Location: New York


The Spring Internship will run from January to May, 2022.

SUMMARY:
With a problem-solving mandate, the Asia Society Policy Institute (ASPI) is a think- and do- tank that tackles major policy challenges confronting the Asia-Pacific in security, prosperity, sustainability, and the development of common norms and values for the region.

The Asia Society Policy Institute (ASPI) is seeking exceptional interns with a demonstrated interest in the social, political, and economic challenges in Asia. Each successful intern candidate would be assigned to one of the following research areas with an advisor during the course of the internship:

1. **Security**: The rise of emerging powers in Asia, the strategic implications of their growing economic, political, and military power, and the potential impact on their relations with the United States and regional neighbors. The Belt and Road Initiative and issues surrounding development and security. International disputes and challenges that have the potential to result in crises or conflict.

2. **U.S.-China**: The rise of China, China’s economy, politics, and influence in the Asia-Pacific and beyond. The ongoing shift in the balance of global power stemming from U.S.-China tensions, and a framework for managed strategic competition between Washington and Beijing.

3. **Sustainability**: A focus on climate mitigation policy in Asia, specifically emissions trading systems and net zero emission goals, linked to our current activities in these areas. Focus countries include China, Korea, Japan, South East Asia (ASEAN) and India.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
The intern will learn how to track and research current developments in Asia; write, edit, and proofread policy memos and event/meeting summaries; draft policy focused web and social media content. They will also be planning conferences/events and will have the opportunity to attend and report on public and private policy discussions.

Internships are unpaid.

QUALIFICATIONS:
• Candidates should be able commit to a minimum of 12 weeks, and at least three days per week, or the equivalent of 24 hours per week.
• Must be at least as junior in college, a graduate student, or a recent graduate;
• Full professional proficiency in English;
• Proficiency in an Asian language, a plus.
• Previous internship experience preferred;
• Strong familiarity with global issues and/or Asia;
• Strong research, writing, and editing skills with excellent attention to detail.

HOW TO APPLY:
Please email your cover letter, indicating the area of interest (Security, U.S.–China Relations, or Sustainability), the days and hours you are available, and your resume, indicating position reference code 2202INT, and a 3-5 double-spaced page writing sample or abstract, to: PolicyInstitute@asiasociety.org.

The application deadline is 11:59PM EST on November 1, 2021.

Also indicate your area of interest (Security, U.S.–China Relations, or Sustainability) in the subject line. Resumes without cover letters will not be accepted. No phone calls, please. Only those candidates considered for an interview will be contacted. Please regard your resume as having been received unless your email is bounced back.