

United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability Internship

POSITION: UNU-IAS Intern

LOCATION: Kanazawa, Japan

CLOSING DATE: Open until position is filled

About the UNU-IAS Internship Programme

The UNU-IAS Internship Programme aims to provide young scholars with an opportunity to learn more about the work of UNU-IAS and UNU, as well as gain hands-on experience at a think tank within the UN system. The internship programme also encourages young scholars to advance their own studies related to sustainability by contributing to the institute's policy-relevant research projects.

Work Assignments

The successful candidate will be expected to assist research activities of UNU-IAS OUIK including policy and case analysis for local biodiversity conservation and sustainability, development of participatory biodiversity monitoring system and environmental education through the joint implementation of GIAHS, MAB and other international designation systems with local and international partners. For more details of OUIK activities, please refer to <http://ouik.unu.edu/en/about#activity>

OUIK also focuses on capacity building of practitioners and students by promoting mutual learning between local communities in Ishikawa Prefecture and their counterparts in developing countries. The intern can contribute to these activities.

Due to the nature of OUIK's research activities involving local stakeholders in Japan, the candidate preferably has acquired at least a basic level of Japanese language ability.

Duration and Expenses

The intern is expected to work five days a week on a full-time basis (9:30 – 17:30) and the duration is from three months up to six months.

Please note that this is an unpaid internship; UNU cannot provide financial assistance and cannot assist with travel/accommodation or visa arrangements (for non-Japanese nationals).

Application Procedure

To apply, please complete and submit the online application form located on the UNU-IAS website (<http://ias.unu.edu/en/about/internship>). Application materials should be emailed to the Internship Programme Coordinator at ias.internships@unu.edu Please be sure to attach:

- A brief resume/CV in English
- A cover letter in English explaining why you are interested in being an intern.
- Application Form of Internship Programme for the UNU (template) – please indicate the internship vacancy in which you are interested.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an interview.