

CAPS – CHINA AND ASIA-PACIFIC STUDIES

Internships & Career Exploration



Internships in China:

For internships in China, CAPS has adopted the following guidelines:

- Students can opt to undertake a summer internship in Beijing, Shanghai, Hong Kong, or other Chinese cities in the summer after their junior year. A summer internship should last for at least four weeks (five work days per week).
- Alternately, students can opt to undertake an internship in Beijing during the spring semester of their junior year or the fall semester of their senior year for 2 days a week, a full day on Monday and two half days on Tuesday and Wednesday. Internships should begin within one week of the start of classes and should end during the last week of classes.
- No academic credit is earned for the internship.
- Internships are unpaid, unless you are eligible for work-study.

CAPS provides assistance to students in their application for internships in Beijing.

Internships in Washington, D.C.:

For the CAPS major, the Cornell in Washington semester is optional but highly recommended. For students choosing to attend CIW, CAPS has the following guidelines for D.C. internships:

- 3 days a week, Monday-Wednesday, is recommended, to allow time for academic work, for touring Washington, and for the occasional trip to Ithaca or home.
- No academic credit is earned for the internship, neither from Cornell in Washington nor from any other department.
- Internships are unpaid, unless you are eligible for work-study. If so, you may be able to find a non-partisan internship which will compensate you. Let us know if you are interested in this possibility, and we'll provide more details.
- Internships should begin within one week of the start of classes and should end during the last week of classes.

You can access the CIW Online database for internships when you file your online application.

Career Exploration:

With four years of intensive Chinese language training, a semester of study and internships in Beijing, and an optional semester of study and internships in Washington, D.C., Cornell graduates with a major in CAPS are well suited for entry- or higher-level positions in consulting, journalism, law firms, businesses, financial services, NGOs, diplomacy, and other government and public service agencies. An undergraduate CAPS degree also readily prepares one for graduate studies in law, business, and other disciplines with a focus on China.

Sample CAPS Internships:

Washington, D.C.

American Enterprise Institute
Asia Society
Brookings Institution
Center on Budget and Policy Priorities
Congressional Research Service
Department of Homeland Security
Department of Justice
Department of Treasury
Embassy of Korea
Environmental Protection Agency
Fox News Channel
House of Representatives
Hudson Institute
International Law Institute
Library of Congress, Asian Division
Live Healthier
Morgan Stanley
National Confectioners Association
Project 2049 Institute
Roosevelt Institute
The Atlantic Council, the Asia Program
The GIC Group
The Stern Group
U.S.-Asia Institute
U.S.-China Education Trust
U.S.-China Economic & Security Review
Commission
White House Liaison Office
Woodrow Wilson International Center for
Scholars

Beijing and the Greater China Area

American Chamber of Commerce
Bain & Company
Brookings-Tsinghua Institute
Care and Share Insurance Brokers Co. Ltd.
Chihaner Adventures
China Greentech Initiative
China International Capital Corporation
CITIC Capital
City Weekend Magazine
CNN Beijing Bureau
Control Risks
Dezan Shira & Associates
Digital Jungle, Sinotech
Gartner Consulting
Grant Hyatt Beijing
Import Administration, US Embassy
Kamsky Associates
Larkin Trade International
Lincoln Institute, Peking University
Lotus Educational Foundation
Morgan Stanley Hong Kong
Powell Rale Beijing
PSL Research
School of International Studies, Peking University
Synoyate Healthcare
The Carter Center, China Program
US Foreign Commercial Service, US Embassy
US Information Technology Office

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