

UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY

Junior Fellows Internship Programme

Are you looking to gain hands-on experience, develop transferable skills and knowledge, and be part of a dynamic, international team of professionals? The Junior Fellows Internship Programme at the Office of the Rector is a challenging yet rewarding opportunity for graduate level students and young professionals interested in contributing to the work of the United Nations University (UNU) and the United Nations system.

"A big YES to refining soft and hard skills! I'm a much better writer and team player now thanks to this opportunity at UNU."

Sabina Uzakova, Spring 2013

"I felt that there was plenty of room for us to lift our opinions on projects, and that my opinion was really taken into account."

André Asplund, Fall 2013

"This has been an exciting journey to widen my network, and also an opportunity to learn more about myself and working in a team."

Pretty Segwai, Spring 2014

"Everyone in our team had something valuable to bring to each project and I feel like I learned a lot from my colleagues."

Luke Hamilton, Fall 2014

What will I do?

Junior Fellows support the work of the Office of the Rector through research for institutional development, writing, minute taking, assistance with the organisation of events, communications, quality assurance, project management, and policy development. The internship begins with a one-week orientation and training programme to familiarise participants with the work of the executive office. Junior Fellows are provided a monthly allowance to help offset the cost of living in Tokyo and enjoy access to the University's library and gym.

What will I gain?

While each Junior Fellow's experience is unique, participants in this programme can expect to hone their organizational, drafting, and problem-solving skills as well as team work collaboration; gain valuable insight into the daily operations of an international office environment; and acquire hands-on knowledge of the workings of a UN organization.

About the United Nations University

The UNU is a global think tank and postgraduate teaching organization headquartered in Tokyo, Japan. Its mission is to contribute, through collaborative research and education, to efforts to resolve the pressing global problems of human survival, development and welfare that are the concern of the United Nations, its Peoples and Member States. UNU works with leading universities and research institutes across the world, functioning as a bridge between the international academic community and the UN system.

About the Office of the Rector

The Office of the Rector supports the Rector in his/her capacity as the chief academic and administrative officer of the University, and assists in executive management and coordination of the UNU system. The Office of the Rector provides an overall supporting role for governance and policy development and covers the University's legal affairs.

How to Apply

Consult the application periods, download the application forms and follow the application instructions through the UNU Internship Portal at unu.edu/internships



