



## Internship Program

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The Internship Program features directed work-study experiences related to the academic or vocational interests of the student. The program is coordinated by a member of the International School faculty along with on-site supervisors who hold academic or professional credentials. Only students who are enrolled as full-time students in the International School are eligible for the Internship Program.

Students who are interested in an internship must apply before the semester begins. In addition to their application for admission, they will need to complete a supplemental application for the internship program. Upon admission to the International School and receipt of the internship program application, the Internship Coordinator will be in touch with the student about possible internship locations.

When the student arrives to Haifa, she or he will meet with the supervisor at the internship location. Together they will establish the student's schedule. Students are expected to work 15 hours per week at their internship. Throughout the semester they will be provided with reading materials to support their work. In addition, students will need to submit weekly internship reports and mid-semester reflections on their progress to the Internship Coordinator in the International School. At the end of the semester, students will submit a 10-15 page research paper addressing an issue they dealt with at their internship. The internship is worth four academic credits.

Internships are mostly focused in the areas of social services, health services, and education. Please see below for a list of potential internships. If you are interested in a field not listed below, please be in touch with our Internship Coordinator about other possibilities.

### Social Services:

**Isha L'Isha (Haifa Feminist Center)** - The organization deals with advancing the status of women in Israel through fundraising, preparation of educational materials and general community work. The organization works with Arab, Ethiopian and Russian Immigrants; as well as Israeli women. This internship requires the ability to function independently in a dynamic setting. Courses in Women's Studies, Sociology or Psychology are desirable. Basic computer skills are needed. Knowledge of Hebrew would be a benefit, but not a pre-requisite.



**Shelter for Battered Women** - The shelter provides emergency short-term housing and treatment for Arab and Jewish women and children. The internship involves organizing social activities for the children at the center. Conversational Hebrew or Arabic required. Experience in working with children desirable.

**Ofakim School for children with Cerebral Palsy** - The school provides special services such as speech therapy, physiotherapy and vocational therapy. The intern, depending on his/her background works with the staff in one or more of these areas. A basic knowledge of spoken Hebrew and experience in special education or in any of the therapies used at the school are desirable.

**Michah – Society for the Education of Deaf Children** - The Center provides diagnosis and guidance for hearing impaired children and their families. The intern works in direct treatment together with the staff. A basic knowledge of spoken Hebrew and/or sign language necessary, experience in special education or speech therapy desired.

**Gan HaYeled (special education pre-school facility)** - Gan HaYeled provides physiotherapy and educational enrichment programs for pre-school children in special education pre-schools including physically handicapped, autistic, mentally retarded and learning disabled children. The intern will work with staff in providing services to the children. Prerequisites conversational Hebrew ability required and experience in working with children in Special Education desired.

**Shatil** - Support Project for Voluntary Organizations - the organization provides training, consultation and coalition building assistance to organizations dealing with Arab-Jewish Relations and social change organizations. The interns assist the organizations in grant writing fund raising, website maintenance, research projects and program evaluations. Basic computer skills required, no knowledge of Hebrew necessary.

**Open Door** – The organization provides guidance, counseling and training on the issues of relationships, sexuality and birth control to teenagers, youth and parents. Open Door centers provide assistance to diverse populations, including Jews, Arabs, new immigrants, youth at risk, and individuals with physical or mental disabilities. The intern will work on English language publications and assist with grant writing. Knowledge of basic Hebrew is necessary.

**Kav LeOved** - This is a volunteer organization which helps foreign workers in Israel with legal problems about their status in the country and social rights. It involves interviewing the workers and then trying to find legal solutions to their difficulties. It requires a good knowledge of Hebrew.



**Mahut** - This is a volunteer organization that works with women over the age of forty in order to prepare them for the job market. The women are lower income women from the Arab and Jewish populations. The internship involves helping the fund raiser in grant writing, editing English materials and helping look for sources of financial assistance. Basic conversational Hebrew is required.

### **Health Services:**

**Bnei Zion Genetic Counseling Clinic** - The clinic deals with genetic counseling and research. The intern will be involved in research projects and direct work with the staff and with clients of the clinic. Courses in biology and genetics are required. Knowledge of spoken Hebrew is necessary.

**Biopsychology Laboratories, University of Haifa** - the biopsychology laboratories are dedicated to research in brain/behavior interactions. Specific projects include research on brain mechanisms of social behavior and aggression, addictive processes and motivation, learning and memory and feeding. The intern will participate in the ongoing research projects – collecting and analysis of data, reading background literature, writing research reports and participating in staff meetings. This option is only for students in the Honors Psychology Program.

**Shadowing an Israeli Doctor** - the internship involves working in a large urban hospital, shadowing a medical professional. The work involves direct care under the supervision of the medical staff. In addition there are possibilities of research in hospital administration. The internship is suitable for a pre-medical student with some clinical experience. Knowledge of Hebrew is helpful, but not essential.

### **Archaeological Internships:**

**Department of Archaeology, University of Haifa** – Interns will have the opportunity to work with faculty members in the Department on various projects and participate in archaeological digs. Must be an archaeology major or have taken a number archaeology courses. No knowledge of Hebrew required.

**Department of Maritime Civilizations, University of Haifa** – The archaeology and history of the Ancient Near East and Mediterranean Bronze Age: seafaring, urbanization, ceramic analysis, and cross-cultural interconnections. Opportunities for fieldwork and laboratory analysis. Experience preferred but not essential. Must have done introductory level courses in archaeology and/or ancient history. No knowledge of Hebrew required.



**The Reuben and Edith Hecht Museum, University of Haifa** - The museum has a large collection of archaeological material from ancient Israel and neighboring countries. The internship will involve setting up exhibits and categorizing material. Introductory courses in Archaeology or Ancient History required. No knowledge of Hebrew necessary.

### **Miscellaneous:**

**Office of the Spokesperson, Haifa University** - The internship involves working with staff of the office of the spokesperson. Responsibilities include preparing press releases, conferences, the Haifa University English magazine and the Board of Governors meeting. Basic courses in journalism and/or public relations and some experience in writing for a school newspaper or something comparable required. Knowledge of spoken Hebrew is desirable, but not required.

**Ecological Studies Department, University of Haifa** – Interns will participate in field research in the areas of Aquatic Ecology, Community Ecology and Conservation Biology. The intern will function as a member of a research team in these areas. Basic courses in ecology and/or biology required. No knowledge of Hebrew necessary.

**Carmel Hai-Bar (Wildlife Preserve) Nature Reserve** – This internship entails interdisciplinary studies of plant and wild life populations; maintenance of the collection of plant and wildlife reserves at the Hai-Bar; documentation and research of behavioral and reproductive patterns found in the area. Two years study of ecology or biology; life science studies and/or physical sciences required. No knowledge of Hebrew necessary.

**University of Haifa Library** - working with the staff of the library in all areas. Major in library science and basic computer skills is necessary. Knowledge of spoken and written Hebrew desirable, but not required.

**Haifa Municipal Museum: The Gallery** - This internship involves working with the staff of the museum setting up exhibits and writing and editing catalogues of exhibits. Courses in Museum Studies and/or Art History required. Basic knowledge of spoken Hebrew desired, but not necessary.

**Haifa Theatre** - the Haifa Theatre is a municipal theatre. The intern will be involved in behind the scenes aspects of work in a large theatre such as costuming, lighting and make-up. Major in theatre studies required. Basic knowledge of spoken Hebrew desirable, but not necessary.