



EAST-WEST CENTER

EDUCATION PROGRAM

Internships - Spring 2008 Asia Pacific Leadership Program

APLP Internships provide fellows an opportunity to apply their regional knowledge and leadership skills in organizations across Asia Pacific and the U.S..

As an APLP fellow you can choose to do an internship in the second semester of the program. Fellows, with the assistance of the APLP Internship Coordinator (Christina Monroe), identify internships that will match professional interests. Fellows may pursue internships with institutions and people that they interact with during the first semester. Fellows may also access the APLP and greater EWC network to identify possible internships. Some searching resources are also provided by UH and the APLP Internship Coordinator.

As an APLP interning fellow, you continue as an affiliate and member of the EWC community. You have the support of the EWC community as well as access to resources and opportunities, whether interning in Hawaii or abroad. You will also engage in substantive reflection and dialogue through guided assignments via our intranet system, the Hub; this will connect you to the APLP network.

Internships are not guaranteed. To be eligible for an internship, fellows must complete the requirements of the first five months of the program. They must be enrolled as University of Hawai'i students in the Fall semester and have the appropriate visa status. Further, fellows must show a willingness and ability to work independently and be ambassadors of the APLP and East-West Center.

It is ultimately the responsibility of the fellow to identify and secure internships using the resources and assistance available.

Spring Internship Options

APLP fellows can choose to be involved with internships, GIST, coursework at the University of Hawai'i, or a Leadership Legacy Project in the spring semester.

Costs

Fellows must pay for health insurance, flights/transportation to the internship, visa, and living expenses. Most internships are unpaid or offer only minor compensation.

Dates

Internships are for the Spring semester only, January-May 2008. Fellows are encouraged to return to Honolulu for the EWC Graduation and APLP Spring Conference, May 2008. Extension of the internship beyond this date must be done independently of the APLP. If you are an international student interning in the U.S. you cannot extend the date because of visa restrictions.

Health Insurance

All Fellows must purchase and show proof of health insurance, medical evacuation and repatriation coverage during an APLP internship. The APLP staff will recommend a health coverage plan but Fellows are responsible for purchasing and showing proof before internships begin.

Visa Requirements in U.S.

International students must have the appropriate visa status in the U.S. to participate in internships. Post-Completion Academic Training (PCAT) approval is required which must meet programmatic, institutional, and federal guidelines. PCATs are administered by the EWC Visa Officer. Fellows must have been admitted as a University of Hawai'i student in the fall semester and will need to have successfully completed all APLP requirements before beginning their internship. Internships for non-U.S. fellows with the PCAT will officially end in May 2008.

Visa Requirements Outside U.S.

Fellows conducting internships outside of the U.S. but not in their country of origin are responsible for meeting visa requirements in the host country. Fellows are responsible for all costs associated with obtaining visas.