

2005 Internship Program



Are you a Master's or PhD student? Are you interested in learning more about international development? Can you benefit from hands-on experience to complement your academic training?

About ADB

ADB is a multilateral development finance institution owned by 63 members from Asia and the Pacific and other parts of the globe. Its vision is an Asia and Pacific region free of poverty, and its mission is to help its developing member countries reduce poverty and improve their quality of life.

ADB's Internship Program

Don't just think about global issues—get involved in them by participating in the 2005 ADB Internship Program. Now in its 25th year, the Program is designed to provide promising students with practical professional experience in the broad field of development finance. Interns are based at ADB headquarters in Manila, Philippines, or in one of its 25 other offices around the world. In past years, internship projects have ranged from measuring aid effectiveness to reviewing fiscal management in Afghanistan.



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Internship Program Details

ADB offers a limited number of fully-funded and self-funded internships. For 2005, a maximum of six interns will be fully funded by ADB. ADB provides

- round-trip full economy class airfare for the most direct or cost-effective route from the intern's institution or country of residence to the location of the internship,
- suitable accommodation,
- a daily stipend to cover living costs,
- a cash bonus for those who successfully complete the program,
- a certificate of completion to successful participants, and
- limited medical insurance.

Self-funded internships require that the intern's academic institution shoulder the full cost (i.e., costs related to the internship, but not limited to round-trip airfare, accommodation, daily subsistence allowance, and medical and accident insurance protection). The number of self-funded internships will depend on the absorptive capacity of ADB.

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Who Can Be an Intern?

You must be

- enrolled in a Master's- or PhD-level program—both prior to and after the internship—at an institution recognized for its excellence in fields directly related to ADB's diverse work (e.g., social infrastructure, agriculture and natural resources, energy, finance, industry, transport, communications, and economics);
- enrolled in an institution registered to participate in the Internship Program; and
- a national of one of ADB's 63 member countries (view the list at www.adb.org/about/members.asp).

What Do You Gain?

The opportunity to

- work in a major international development organization based in Asia with a multicultural environment;
- gain a deeper understanding of development finance and the impact of ADB;
- learn from experienced professionals;
- interact with other interns; and
- present internship outputs in a public forum at ADB.

The Selection Process

The highly competitive selection process occurs over a period of 4 months, between January and April.

1. Your academic institution's internship coordinator registers your institution by fax or e-mail by 28 February 2005.
2. ADB sends the internship project topics to your internship coordinator during March 2005. Your internship coordinator distributes the project topics to interested and qualified applicants.
3. Applicants submit their curriculum vitae and prepare an application for one project topic only.
4. Your institution screens all applications and nominates only its top three fully-funded applicants and/or top three self-funded applicants to ADB for final selection. Proof of nationality and continuing enrollment must accompany each application. Applicants must be fluent in English and have basic computing skills.
5. Only applications submitted through the internship coordinators will be considered by ADB. ADB evaluates all applications received. Selection criteria are academic qualification, relevant experience, and required skills for the specific project. ADB also considers institutional representation, and gender and nationality balance in the process.
6. Selected interns are notified by end of April 2005 and will receive further details upon confirming their offer to participate.

Please note: (1) ADB does not accept direct individual applications. (2) Due to the overwhelming number of internship applications, ADB regrets that it cannot reply to individual queries regarding the status or selection of interns. (3) Successful applicants must provide their own insurance. (4) Successful applicants should not expect the internship to lead to immediate or permanent employment with ADB. (5) Close relatives of ADB employees or Board of Directors are ineligible for the program.



“Poverty in Bangladesh always struck me and got me interested in development... ADB’s internship program is a true learning experience and a great opportunity to meet people involved in all kinds of development work. It really opens your eyes to how much goes on in the region and what needs to be done.” — **Nabeela N. Alam**, from Bangladesh, PhD student, International Economics and Finance, Brandeis University, Massachusetts, USA. Assigned to Operations Evaluation Department—Division 2



“ADB’s internship program provides excellent and rigorous training on practical research that is lacking in academic institutions. My internship increased my technical, theoretical, and practical knowledge in my chosen field of learning (econometrics)...I wouldn’t hesitate to work in a big organization like ADB and be a part of its research team.” — **Abdul Aziz Hayat Muhammad**, from Pakistan, PhD student, Econometrics and Business Statistics, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia. Assigned to East and Central Asia Department—Operations Coordination Division



“The internship gave me the opportunity to learn from experienced professionals and to strengthen my analytical skills while experiencing the working environment in ADB.” — **Nalitra Thaiprasert**, from Thailand, PhD student, International Development, Nagoya University, Japan. Assigned to Mekong Department—Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources Division

“I have always been interested in development finance work and my travel to India, in line with the research I was doing for my internship, provided me a ‘new eye’ on the poverty problem.” — **Seung Mo Choi**, from the Republic of Korea, PhD student; Money, Banking and Macroeconomics Dynamics/Financial Economics; University of Chicago, Illinois, USA. Assigned to South Asia Department—Governance, Finance, and Trade Division



“I became interested in development work when I was 14 when I visited South Africa and Lesotho. Later, I helped out in a rural orphanage in India and then became involved in organizational work in Norway. The ADB internship was a golden opportunity for me to combine my interests in development work and in the treatment of alcoholics in poor communities.” — **Irene Lie**, from Norway, Master’s student, Sociology, Oslo University, Norway. Assigned to South Asia Department—Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources Division



“My internship gave me a new perspective on health research and exposed me to public policy research, which I value very much. It also gave me the chance to learn about the work environment of international organizations and their work in member countries.” — **Jayani Jayawardhana**, from Sri Lanka, PhD student, Economics, Virginia University, USA. Assigned to South Asia Department—Social Sectors Division



REGISTER YOUR INSTITUTION

Ask your institution to indicate its interest in participating in the 2005 ADB Internship Program by accomplishing and submitting this form by e-mail or fax. ADB must receive this by 28 February 2005.

(Name of Institution)

would like our Master's- and PhD-level candidates to have the opportunity to participate in the 2005 ADB Internship Program. We will screen our applicants and send ADB our top three nominees for fully-funded internship and/or top three nominees for self-funded internship.

Name of Internship Coordinator: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Signature: _____

Send this to: The ADB Internship Program Coordinator
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