

Columbia Global Internship Program

Columbia Global (CG) is a partnership between [Columbia World Projects](#), [Columbia Global Centers](#), the [Institute for Ideas & Imagination](#), and the [Committee on Global Thought](#). CG's Internship Program is a multidisciplinary training initiative that offers both undergraduate and graduate students internship opportunities that provide real-world contributions to CG-specific initiatives that support social impact here in New York City and around the world. CG interns will work alongside experts, faculty, and other academics to engage in the design, implementation, and/or evaluation of CG strategy, programs, or operations under the ongoing mentorship of CG experts and staff. This paid opportunity is open to students enrolled in any school within Columbia University and can be structured in alignment with various School or Program practicum requirements. Interns will be paid \$20-21.50 per hour.

Please complete an application by **October 15, 2023, 11:59 PM ET** in order to be considered for the program. Application link: <https://cwp.submittable.com/submit>.

Opportunities:

- **Communications:** The Columbia Global Communications intern will work with the Columbia Global Communications team as they launch the new brand of the initiative and prepare staff to implement it effectively. The intern will co-design a framework to train and educate staff on how to become brand ambassadors for Columbia Global, along with helping to support the roll-out of social media branding guidelines. The intern will thoughtfully engage with complex global challenges through the medium of communications, including public relations, marketing, brand activation, multimedia content production, social media and digital platform management, events, and strategy. The communications intern will also work with the Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL) team to reinforce points of communication and collaboration, and they will develop joint materials and news stories that incorporate language from the theory of change exercises developed by MEL. Through this internship, the intern will become familiar with communications best practices, communications capacity building, and branding and external positioning.

Time commitment: Approximately 10 hours per week.

- **Committee on Forced Migration:** The [Committee on Forced Migration \(CFM\)](#) is a new initiative of Columbia Global, acting as a central hub and network for forced migration related research and projects across the University's schools and divisions. Working with the CFM Senior Advisor, the Committee on Forced Migration intern will work on

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projects that include database mapping of forced migration related topics across Columbia University; organizing CFM conferences and faculty workshops; and collecting a compendium of short guides by Columbia faculty to be published in a guidebook of best practices for faculty and researchers for teaching and disseminating research related to forced migration. Through this internship, the intern will learn about the current realities of forced migration across the globe and best practices for communicating on the topic.

The ideal candidate will have an interest in forced migration issues (e.g., refugees, asylum, climate migrants, etc.).

Time commitment: Approximately 12-15 hours per week.

- **Global Programming:** The Global Programming internship offers a deep dive into the world of mission-driven international work through engagement with the [Columbia Global Centers](#). The Global Programming intern will develop knowledge and skills relating to developing, supporting, and executing programs at a global level. Working with the Director of Global Programming at Columbia Global, the intern will provide support to idea generation for a large-scale initiative that will connect all 11 Global Centers into a shared set of objectives. The thematic issue has not yet been determined, but could be climate change, migration, AI, or a similar issue that has a global resonance. Support includes background research for the initiative, identifying relevant Columbia faculty, doing competitor analysis, and meeting support and preparation. The intern will also develop an understanding of the architecture for global programs and organizations, by helping to develop systems to manage information flows across the 11 Global Centers. Through this internship, as well as by participating in key meetings, the intern will develop useful insight into the opportunities and challenges of working in a mission-driven global organization.

Time commitment: Approximately 10-12 hours per week.

- **Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning:** The Columbia Global Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL) team is in the process of implementing a new MEL framework for Columbia Global and integrating a results-based MEL approach to the organization's activities. The MEL intern will assist the team in launching the new framework by implementing and maintaining a data management system and generating reports. The intern will work closely with the MEL team to collect, organize, analyze, and share data collected about programming across Columbia Global. They will be responsible for assisting the MEL team in piloting new plans and data collection tools as well as

collecting data for a Columbia Global dashboard. By the end of the internship, the intern will have completed the following expected deliverables: created brief reports for sharing monitoring data using a results-based MEL approach and communicated key findings with relevant stakeholders, including program staff and the communications team; maintained a secure and reliable system for managing data collected from Columbia Global staff and program participants; and analyzed data from surveys and interviews to identify impact and share insights. Through this internship, the intern will gain hands-on experience in rapid data analysis and data management to inform program learning and innovation.

Time commitment: Approximately 15 hours per week.

- **Obama Foundation Scholars Program:** The [Obama Foundation Scholars Program at Columbia University](#) brings together rising leaders from around the world who have demonstrated a commitment to finding solutions to challenges in their communities and countries. Working with the Social Impact Leadership team, the Obama Foundation Scholars Program intern will assist in the development of a handbook for program participants, coordinate the rollout of alumni newsletters, and conduct data analysis on admissions data to support applicant recruitment. Time permitting, the intern may also take part in the selection of the 2024-2025 cohort of Obama Foundation Scholars, assisting in the coordination of key portions of the application cycle. Through this internship, the intern will have an opportunity to engage directly with Obama Foundation Scholars, become familiar with facilitating an international leadership development program, including its highly selective application process, ongoing alumni engagement, and supporting social change leaders from around the world.

Time commitment: Approximately 10-15 hours per week.

- **Project Management:** The Project Management intern will contribute to the advancement of the [projects portfolio at Columbia World Projects](#). The intern will work on projects ranging from community resilience and disaster response initiatives in the Caribbean, energy and water infrastructure initiatives internationally and the United States, and projects that are advancing new interventions and policies to improve child, adolescent, and maternal health. The intern will contribute to the development of knowledge products, resources, and materials that disseminate key information, outcomes, and results of projects, as well as planning and execution of virtual and in-person stakeholder meetings and events to advance the goals and objectives of the projects. The intern will have a mix of regular assignments and work that advance the

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goals and objectives of the projects portfolio, as well as discrete, time-bound tasks and assignments based on the needs and priorities of our project work. Through this internship, the intern will learn basic project design and management skills, collaborate with leading experts and stakeholders across Columbia University and beyond, and learn strategies and models to advance the impact of research to make significant and measurable impacts on global challenges of our time.

Time commitment: Approximately 12-15 hours per week.

- **Research and Engagement (R&E):** The Research and Engagement intern will conduct research on work under development within the [Research & Engagement \(R&E\)](#) team, including climate finance (e.g. Credit Markets, Carbon Rights, Loss and Damage, etc.); civic infrastructure to overcome social segregation; and policy options to address problems generated by Big Tech for democratic institutions and discourse, with emphasis on lessons from European regulatory frameworks for the United States, Africa, Asia, and Latin America. The intern's research will support the creation of new partnerships, networks, and activities within R&E's [Democratic Renewal](#) and [Inclusive Urbanism](#) impact areas. The intern will also support the production of research products and other publications stemming from initiative engagements, including reports, policy briefs, toolkits, and essay forums, as well as concept notes, literature reviews, network mapping, note taking at meetings, and internal and external communications. The intern will participate in the planning and execution of public events and private convenings with high-level researchers, policymakers, and civil society advocates and join meetings with subject matter experts in various domains.

Time commitment: Approximately 6-10 hours per week.

- **Columbia Global Center: Beijing:** The [Beijing Columbia Global Center](#) intern will contribute to the Social Innovation Fellowship program, a two-year program which aims to provide middle and high school students with a structured and immersive learning experience focused on fostering a social innovation mindset, skills, and practices. The overall goal of the program is to equip the selected 20 youths, aged 15 to 17 years old, with key skills and knowledge to address societal challenges and create a lasting impact. By participating in the fellowship, students will have the opportunity to develop their creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving abilities, and entrepreneurial mindset. The intern's role will be to assist and support the design and implementation of the Social Innovation Fellowship training modules. The intern will help to refine the curriculum and projects by leveraging the expertise and resources available through their academic learning and other experiences. The intern's contributions will be vital in supporting the program in turning ideas into reality. Through this internship, the

intern will learn to develop a curriculum for young leaders and will learn skills related to program design and implementation.

The ideal intern will possess strong research skills and a basic understanding of social entrepreneurship and social innovation, experience in curriculum design and instructional technology, and an interest and skills in entrepreneurship.

This opportunity will be virtual, although the intern may have the opportunity for a one-week in-person visit to the Global Center during a Columbia break, contingent on Columbia University policy.

Time commitment: Approximately 15 hours per week. The intern will need to be available on weeknights between 9:00pm - 11:00pm EST for live discussion and communication with colleagues in Beijing.

- **Columbia Global Center: Reid Hall, Paris:** The [Paris Columbia Global Center](#) intern will conduct research on specific artists or scholars who resided at Reid Hall between 1893 and 1939. The intern will be given a list of names to be researched, and this research will require using the databases available through CLIO as well as other archival resources. Each artist's or scholar's profile and photos will be posted on the Reid Hall history website and the intern's name will be mentioned in the acknowledgements section of the website. The intern will gather relevant materials (e.g., news articles, testimonials, photos, etc.) of the artist or scholar and their work; produce a written biographical profile in English of the person concerned; and provide a listing of bibliographical references using the MLA style guide.

The candidate must possess an advanced knowledge of French (especially reading comprehension) and excellent writing skills in English. The ideal candidate will have expertise in history or art history.

This opportunity will be virtual, although the intern may have the opportunity for a one-week in-person visit to the Global Center during a Columbia break, contingent on Columbia University policy.

Time commitment: Approximately 10-12 hours per week.