Ireland is famous for its colorful culture, Gaelic roots, crumbling medieval castles, folklore, and lively pubs. Dublin, the capital of the Republic of Ireland, is a modern city rich in culture and brimming with busy streets, cafes, pubs, boutiques, and reliable mass transit. Last year, Dublin was voted the friendliest city in Europe! The city provides an incredible backdrop for international internships. ELI’s internships are a great learning experience that provides an opportunity for students, new graduates, and career changers to gain important knowledge and skills in a career related field. Host companies are in the private, semistate, and public sectors. Placements are structured on the intern’s objectives and what they would like to achieve out of the program.

Where you are placed depends on when you decide to go to Dublin, your particular area of interest, your qualifications, what particular organization has openings for interns, and your language skills. All placements are made on a completely individual basis, so your experience with a specific organization may be entirely different from a past participant’s experience. Keep in mind that you are working to fill a need in the organization and needs change over time. International programs require flexibility and adaptability. We will do our best to inform you of your tasks, but tasks may change once you are in-country. Most internships require a minimum four week commitment, though some companies and organizations require a minimum eight week commitment for a serious internship. If you do not see your field of study listed, please inquire! Opportunities are always changing.

**Media and Graphic Design**

Dublin is the media center of Ireland. Media positions offer experience in a variety of different areas, including print media, radio, and graphic design. The print media internships offer participants the ability to work with a local newspapers or popular culture magazines. Placements at a radio give interns an opportunity to gain experience in sound engineering, talk show set up, research for discussion topics, and advertising. Interested interns should have an educational background in a relevant field. Graphic design interns need demonstrated knowledge of the most popular and up to date software. There is little on-air news production in Dublin, but there are limited opportunities for qualified interns in post-production.
Marketing

Marketing placements focus on a mixture of orientations including research, planning, and communications. Interns have the opportunity to gain experience in a variety of marketing campaigns, ranging from the hospitality & tourism industry, to IT product & service marketing. Interns will become involved in their own projects or assist with long term strategies. Volunteers must have an educational or professional background in marketing. These internships are specifically tailored to the qualifications and goals of the intern.

IT and Computer Programming

Internships are available in Software Product Development, IT Networking, Telecommunications, Web Development, E-Commerce/Marketing, and CRM Systems. An IT/Programming internship will offer a good learning experience and exposure to the most up-to-date programming and testing techniques currently used in commercial operations. Interns interested in an IT/Programming internship should have knowledge of the programming languages commonly used in software development, web design, database construction, and system maintenance.

Museums and Galleries

While specific projects vary with the institution’s needs and priorities, interns have the opportunity to work in diverse settings, such as curatorial, education, conservation, administration etc. Interns participate in the ongoing work of a particular department, complete a project or a distinct portion of a larger project. Interns work alongside staff members in a tutorial arrangement and gain invaluable skills and training in museum and gallery practice. This internship is great for undergraduates and graduates interested in pursuing a career in museums.

Veterinary Internship Program

ELI is proud to announce new relationships with private veterinarians throughout Dublin. Participants in this program work under the direct supervision of trained professionals in their private offices, mainly with domesticated animals. This program is open to current veterinary students, vet tech students and pre-vet students at least 21 years of age. These placements are competitive, so students will be asked to submit a copy of their transcripts for acceptance to the veterinary internship program. The minimum time requirement is 4
weeks. Space is limited.

Legal

Legal interns will gain insight to the Common Law system of Ireland, and become familiar with the operation of Irish legal practice. Placements are available in business law, family law, probate & wills, and property law. Interns will be able to attend court hearings on current cases and will be involved in a variety of court services. Available to law students and pre-law students at least 21 years old.

Photography

Positions are available with studios as well as in archival. This is an opportunity to intern with an organization that has a comprehensive political and social photographic archive dating back to the early 50’s, comprising in excess of 400,000 images, documenting all aspects of Irish contemporary life. This internship would suit students or recent graduates (particularly in Irish studies / museum, archive or heritage studies / curatorial or visual arts), who require archiving experience or practical experience in a photographic or arts organization.

Finance and Accounting

Interns entering an internship in Finance/Accounting/Economics will have the chance to experience the financial operations of a busy company dealing in the products or services sectors. Typical intern’s tasks include, processing of purchase orders for payment, payroll duties, income audit & analysis, issuing of payments and processing of invoices.

Tourism

Placements will give interns experience in either inbound or outbound tourism. Interns can work in tourism marketing, dissemination of information, operational assistance, or direct contact with tourists. Interns can also chose to work in hospitality and gain experience in operation management, event planning, marketing, and customer service. The ability to learn quickly and a demonstrated background in tourism and/or hospitality are essential.

Human Resources

Interns will gain experience in either a private consultancy or in a department within a large company.
Interns are involved in a variety of tasks including interviews, issue letters of acceptance/rejection, and be a part of training and development. Interns will be exposed to the employment procedures of a foreign country, and gain knowledge of Irish labor laws. Interns must have an educational background in HR or related fields.

Accommodations

Participants may choose to stay with a local host family, student residence (only available certain months), or participants may arrange their own housing.
- Families play a central role in Irish society, and staying with a local family will give participants a unique immersion into the culture. Host Families provide participants with their own room, two meals a day, and laundry.
- Participants in the Student Residence will live with up to three other international interns. The residences include cable, internet access, shared rooms, and have full stocked kitchens. The Student Residence is only available early June through mid September. For other dates please inquire.