

# Internship USA 2026

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

### Eligibility:

For Internship USA, you may be eligible if you are in any of the following categories:

- You are enrolled as a full time post-secondary student in a nationally-accredited institute of higher education.
- You apply and begin an internship within 12 months of graduating.
- You are enrolled in a one year post-secondary course and must have completed that before beginning the internship.

### Length of programme:

CIEE through Internship NZ Ltd, will sponsor you for a J-1 visa for the actual duration of your internship as certified by your employer. The maximum length of CIEE sponsorship is 12 months. You have the right to remain in the USA as a tourist for an additional 30 days on completion of your work visa.

### Work status:

The internship must be related to your course of study as certified by your university/polytechnic/technical institution. You are granted a visa exclusively for one particular employer and you do not have the right to seek any other full-time or part-time work while on the programme. You cannot work in the following fields: medicine (or related fields), au pair or child care, camp counsellor, flying, employment on a ship navigating in international waters, teaching, or any positions offered by temporary work agencies.

### Insurance:

All participants on the programme are required to be covered by the approved travel and medical insurance for the entire duration of their CIEE-sponsored stay in the USA, as per US Government regulations. This is included in the programme fee.

### Visa application:

Participants on the programme apply for the US Visa directly at the designated US Consulate after visa documents are supplied by Internship NZ Ltd. All applicants will be required to undertake a face to face interview with the US Consulate in Auckland, prior to visa approval. The USA Consulate charges a Visa Application Fee at the time of application of approx NZ\$240.00. Plus a Reimbursible Visa Integrity Fee of approx NZ\$420. The Visa is issued by the US Consulate in Auckland.

\*Changes in programme conditions: CIEE and Internship NZ Ltd reserve the right to amend Programme Terms and Conditions at anytime to meet US Government guideline changes.

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### Programme Fee:

DURATION	FEE (USD)	DURATION	FEE(USD)
0 - 3 months.....	1923	9 months.....	2534
4 months.....	2021	10 months .....	2637
5 months.....	2124	11 months .....	2745
6 months.....	2232	12 months .....	2843
7 months.....	2330	13 months .....	2951
8 months.....	2437	14 months .....	3046

Fee will be charged in NZ\$ at the exchange rate on the day of submission. The US\$ fee rate is consistent but the NZ\$ rate may fluctuate. J1 non-immigrant Exchange Visitors will be required to pay a SEVIS (Student and Exchange Visitor Information System) fee which is a non-refundable \$US220 and is included in the above fee. Programme fee does not include US Consulate visa charges but does include insurance.

### Application deadline:

You can lodge an initial application for the programme prior to having your internship position secured. Full application certified by the employer must be submitted minimum of 6 weeks prior to departure date.

### Schedule of payments:

No application is to be made until you have secured a position. The total fee for the length of time of your internship must be paid with the submission.

### Cancellation policy:

- If you withdraw from the programme before the DS 2019 (essential documentation required for visa application) is issued, you will receive a refund of your fee less NZ\$350.
- If you withdraw after the DS 2019 is issued, you will receive a refund of your fee less NZ\$850. If site visit completed then cancellation refund is less NZ\$1200.
- If you withdraw due to visa refusal you will receive a refund of your fee less NZ\$400. If a site visit is completed then cancellation refund is less NZ\$825.
- If cancelled after DS2019 is printed, and an expedited fee was paid, there is no refund of the expediting fee of US\$1100.
- If you cancel after the programme start date the cancellation fee is NZ\$1500. This is because of the large costs incurred at programme start date.
- No programme fee refunded if the participant withdraws after arrival in the US to begin the programme.



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