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Funding Opportunities for Global Internships and International Volunteering 2024

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Quick overview of the session today

Outline what opportunities we have supported by Turing funding

- Internships and volunteering

Some details on eligibility criteria for funding, how funding works, and further information events later this term

A few words about the application process



Internships and volunteering: Where can I go?

Fiji: Think Pacific: 4 weeks: 15 places

Bali: Think Pacific: 4 weeks: 10 places

Seoul CRCC Asia: 4 weeks: 10 places

New York: The Intern Group: 8 weeks: 7 places

St Lucia: Caribbean Elective: 4 weeks: 20 places

Brazil: BHZ Connection: 4 weeks: 8 places

Lisbon: Absolute Internship: 4 weeks: 10 places

Virtual Internships (term time & summer): 10 places

NB we do run reserve lists for all programmes



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Start and End dates for programmes

Fiji: Think Pacific: July – August (depending on programme)

Bali: Think Pacific: start dates from mid June onwards

Seoul: CRCC Asia: late June tbc

New York: The Intern Group: 6 July – 31 August

St Lucia: Caribbean Elective: various dates

Brazil: BHZ Connection: 17 June – 12 July

Lisbon: Absolute Internship: 28 June – 25 July

Virtual Internships: 12 Feb for 12 weeks / Early July



General eligibility criteria for funding

You **must** be an undergraduate student not in your final year of study and you **must** come from a family who has a household income, as assessed by Student Finance England (or an equivalent income level verified by the University if you are an international student), of below £47,200 per annum.

Additionally, students should meet one of the following criteria:

- Have participated in the Supported Progression Scheme or Sutton Trust Summer School at Durham University
- Be from a minority ethnic group (UK/EU students only)
- If a UK student, your home address is in an area of low progression to higher education (ie your postcode is listed as 1 or 2 in the POLAR4 column on the [POLAR checking tool](#))
- You are a care-leaver (at any time), care experienced or an estranged student
- You have declared a disability to the University
- You have asylum seeker or refugee status

What does the funding cover?

The University covers the cost of any programme fee the provider (eg CRCC Asia) would charge you. The Turing grant provides funding for travel and subsistence (nb with exception for Bali).

- NB The Turing grant may not cover the entire cost of your flight

The University will make available interest-free loans to help with the initial travel costs

- The loan is to the maximum value of the Turing allowance for travel to the destination of your internship or volunteering provider.

The University can also help with the cost of travel vaccines if you need to pay for them

- For students on a one-month programme: £250
- For students on a programme of 8 weeks: £500
- Vaccine payments are paid retrospectively

What does the funding cover for Bali?

The University has 10 funded places available for Bali

- Durham University provides funding for x6 students to cover the Think Pacific project fee and a Turing scheme grant which provides funding for both international flights and cost-of-living expenses. To be eligible for one of these 6 places, you must be an undergraduate student not in your final year of study and you must come from a family who has a **household income**, as assessed by Student Finance England (or an equivalent income level verified by the University if you are an international student), of below **£25,000 per annum**.
- Durham University provides funding for x4 students to cover the Think Pacific project fee and a Turing scheme grant for cost-of-living **only**. Students would have to fund international travel costs themselves. To be eligible for one of these 4 places, you must meet the general eligibility criteria referred to in previous slide (is **household income of below £47,200** per annum).

How do I apply?

Application deadline: **8th December 2023**, unless we receive a very high number of applications when we may bring forward the closing date.

NB: You can **apply for a maximum of 3 programmes**

[Global Opportunities 2023-24 Application Form](#)

You need to submit a 3-minute video file (max file size is 1GB) answering the following three questions:

1. Why would you like to participate in a Global Opportunity programme?
2. What three attributes or skills could you bring to the programme?
3. What would you find most challenging about participating in the programme?

What happens after I apply?

1. Shortlisting process leading to panel interview online/on campus in February. If you not heard from us by late January, please assume your application was unsuccessful.
2. If successful, you will need to pay the **£100 deposit** to secure your place on the programme. You may also need to have an informal interview with the internship provider.
3. Your travel needs to be approved by the University to ensure you have travel cover (provided by the University)
 - Health declaration and risk assessment on Pebblepad
 - Completing Turing grant application
4. Arrange flights, visas, travel vaccines
5. Most providers also have their own process for you to complete eg selecting your project

How can I learn more about these programmes?

CEC Sharepoint site: [Global Opportunities \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

Global Opportunities webpage:

<https://www.durham.ac.uk/global-durham/global-opportunities/>



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Any other opportunities?

We also have bursaries of up to £500 to support students who find their own global internship

- 10 bursaries available
- Eligibility criteria for funding as above slides

Other students are free to apply for programmes with our Trusted Partners and providers, but must self fund.



Thank you for listening.

Any Questions?