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International Program in Environmental Studies

Internship Positions

2023-2024

Dear students,

We are happy to present you with internship positions for the international students at the Porter School. In this brochure, you will find internship positions offered by NGOs and Municipalities.

The internship period will begin in December 2023 and will last until June-July 2024 with a total of about 120 hours and no more than 7.5 hours per week.

After completing the internship hours, Interns will receive a scholarship of 3,000 NIS + travel expenses up to 300 NIS.

If you are interested in participating in the Internship Program, please review the following positions carefully and identify those you think might fit your background, qualifications, interests, and motivation.

We advise you to explore the organization/company website and strongly consider the organization itself – are you intrigued by their goals and actions? Also, consider technical and logistical issues – are you able to easily reach the organization's offices (some of which are located outside Tel Aviv) on a regular basis, if necessary? Do you have facilities at home in case the job involves working remotely? In our experience, a successful internship experience relies also on details such as these.

Please note :

Those who are interested in applying, (you may apply to a maximum of 3 positions) are requested to fill the online application form [FORM](#) and attach to it a short CV.

1. In your application, please clearly indicate the reason of why you wish to intern in this position and how your background and qualifications makes you the right person for the job.
2. After reviewing your applications, your details will be forward to the relevant organizations, and you will be invited to interviews.
3. We will do our best to consider your preferences along with the ones of the organizations.

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Climate change initiative, TAU

PlanNet Zero – Tel Aviv University's Climate Crisis Initiative – was launched in June 2021 to advance the university's contribution to solutions to the climate crisis. The Initiative conduct activities on campus to raise awareness and encourage interdisciplinary research, and initiates projects that bridge between academic knowledge and organizations working in other sectors including industry, national and local government and NGOs. The Initiative is run by a small management team working with a number of students and interns, together with an interdisciplinary academic steering committee representing the different TAU faculties.

Internship position title:

English-language platform developer.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

The Initiative recently launched an English-language website which is to be a platform for communicating climate change-related activity of the university to an international audience. This position will involve researching and writing content that will be relevant for the Initiative's communications. Responsibilities will include:

- Interviewing steering committee members (TAU faculty) and other individuals at the university on their climate research and creating informative written pieces based on the interviews.
- Summarizing other climate change-related activities and courses on campus
- Identifying other climate-related news from Israel that is relevant to an international audience
- Summarizing events and activities of the Climate Change Initiative in order to communicate them to a wider audience.

The intern will be an integral part of the Initiative's team and will be asked to contribute to other projects as relevant (such as organizing climate-related events on campus; gathering background information relevant to different projects etc.), and will take part in weekly or bi-weekly meetings. The Initiative operates out of the Environmental Studies Dept. Meetings take place in the department or by zoom. Work can be conducted in the department or remotely.

Requirements:

Native English-speaker or equivalent, with ability to produce written texts in English; ability to work independently as well as in a group; interest in communications/PR/marketing. Hebrew understanding: an advantage.

Engineers without borders – EWB

Engineers Without Borders-Israel (EWB-IL) is a nonprofit organization that works to advance the quality of life of communities through the dissemination and integration of academic, technological, and practical knowledge in communities in Israel and in developing countries. The organization is part of an international umbrella organization. EWB-IL projects are based on working in collaboration with local communities, identifying their needs and assisting in the implementation of appropriate technologies to improve their quality of life. The Israeli organization acts as a platform that enables groups of Israeli students and academics to create quality and relevant projects in collaboration with industry and other organizations. The organization supports, initiates and promotes projects through which students can be exposed to the developing world and be partners in making significant contributions in communities in Israel and around the world. EWB-IL currently has projects in Tanzania, Ethiopia, Kenya, India, Nepal and more.

Internship position title:

Building the organization's social digital network strategy and managing its digital assets.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

Work in collaboration with the management level of the organization. The internship is based on meetings (in person/zoom) and tours with our Israeli and international partners; motivational meetings with the organization's activists throughout the year.

- Social Media manager : Responsible for managing the NGO's social media presence across the various platforms including but not limited to Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, etc . Lead the social media strategy (in partnership with CEO) and planning of the social media calendar.

Internship position title:

Join the resource development EWB - Israel team : This position assists with all aspects of fundraising, resource mobilization and grant writing.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

Work in collaboration with the management level of the organization. The internship is based on meetings (in person/zoom) and tours with our Israeli and international partners; motivational meetings with the organization's activists throughout the year.

Resource Development: fundraising, resource mobilization and grant writing as well as finding new grants.

Requirements for both positions:

Knowledge of basic management software; ability to create budgets and Gantt charts. We are looking for a team player; high motivation; Curiosity and interest in working in developing countries. High level of English and Hebrew - a must.

Hashmel 100

Hashmal 100 is an Israeli initiative that encourages and supports Israeli companies to reach 100% electricity from renewable energy by 2048 - Israel's 100th anniversary. It cooperates with international RE100 which provide the same framework for leading international companies. It is supported by TAU, Manufacturers Association of Israel, and leading industrial companies in Israel.

Internship position title:

Case studies lead and international relationships.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

1. Conducting Case studies with Hashmal100 members- leading Israeli companies that are committed to 100 electricity from renewable energy
2. Building partnership with RE100
3. English version of Hashmal 100 web site

Requirements:

Sustainability and renewable energy background; Fluent English, Writing skills, Excel

Jerusalem Green Fund

The JGF promotes environmental, social, and economic sustainability in and around Jerusalem through the support of grassroots community initiatives, working with Jerusalem's diverse communities, and reaching out to lovers of Jerusalem around the world.

Internship position title:

Green Business Forum: Over the last couple of years there has been an increasing interest in creating a forum for green businesses in Jerusalem. We want to find ways to incentivize businesses to become greener, while we would also like the Jerusalem public to demand green standards of the businesses that provide them with products and services.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

We would like the intern to help with the forum: In order to set the ball rolling, we are inviting all our members and followers to join an initial open discussion where we will brainstorm together and hopefully achieve the following: Establish a stakeholder (members) steering committee that will work with our staff, members to decide how to proceed. Arrange a follow-up meeting for the committee to plan the next steps. Start arranging one on one meetings with businesses that seem to be low-hanging fruit. Think of an attractive name for the Jerusalem Green Business Forum.

We have a weekly staff meeting in the office where we all work together, share ideas and updates – Wednesdays 9:30.

Requirements:

English is a must; all additional languages are a plus. Knowledge of how businesses operate, business culture, a previous degree in business and/or management, also a plus!

Jerusalem municipality

The position is in the department of the Environment in the Jerusalem municipality. You will be working with the team that deals with climate change, sustainability, and the health of the city. The team runs the climate change action plan (mitigation and adaptation) and is in the leading committee of the city energy plan, the city's drainage plan and the city's tree plan. The team participates in writing policy's that deal with climate change and sustainability. In addition, the team runs programs to promote healthy lifestyle in the city.

Internship position title:

Internship of the twinning learning program - With Lahti (The NetZero pilot city) and Reykjavik (also a twin city). The Twinning program is a 20-month program for knowledge sharing and transfer of good practices between selected Twin Cities (like JLM), and the cities that were selected to join the NetZeroCities' Pilot Cities Program in March 2023. The program is based on a practical knowledge sharing approach from Pilot Cities to Twin Cities, while also enabling a peer learning framework, allowing Pilot Cities to also learn from Twin Cities' experiences. Upon completion of the learning cycle, Twin Cities will embed the learnings from pilot activities across the city via a Replication Plan.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

The job consists of being part of the Jerusalem municipality team in the twinning learning program. Attending the meetings, summarizing them, helping to gather information and process it, making power point presentations, participating in thinking, and planning sessions to make programs and activities that will help the city achieve the goal of becoming NetZero by 2040.

Requirements:

English (speaking, reading, and writing skills), Creative, Good interpersonal skills, Fast learner

Leket Israel

Leket Israel, the National Food Bank, is the leading food rescue organization in Israel. Unique among all other organizations that serve the poor in Israel and food banks worldwide, Leket Israel's sole focus is rescuing healthy, surplus food and delivering it to those in need through partner nonprofit organizations.

Internship position title:
resource development assistant.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

Support the overseas Resource Development team.

This is a very dynamic experience depending on the needs of the department.

Requirements:

Fluent in English, interest in nonprofit world, interest in food waste.

Robin food

Robin Food is committed to raising awareness around food waste and making sustainability accessible through providing culinary and educational services for a wide audience. We seek to reduce the amount of food waste generated in Israel.

We “rescue” food that would otherwise go to waste - from farms, shops and markets.

Together with chefs and volunteers, we prepare meals for the general public on a “pay as you feel” basis - and serve food in specific events as a service.

Through food, something that everyone needs and enjoys, we open up a range of subjects to engage in. Those who are less fortunate can have access to a great meal. Those who are part of the general consumer society can get a direct “taste” of the global food waste crisis and contribute to the project, with their money/time/skills. We campaign to raise awareness, and plan to organize relevant action around food waste in Israel.

Robin Food opened Israel’s first community restaurant based on food-rescue which ran from 2018 until the coronavirus pandemic.

[Click here for Robin Food Media Highlights](#) - including the trailer to our award-winning documentary.

We offer activities around the country such as lectures, workshops, cooking contests and catering - to promote sustainability, community and social action - while helping create income for the organization.

The Problem

Food waste is an enormous social, environmental and economic issue.

Socially - about 19% of Israeli households suffer from food insecurity and yet about 50% of food waste in Israel occurs in households.

Environmentally - if food waste was a country, it would be the third biggest carbon emitter in the world. The main factors are the resources invested in food that is not consumed, in addition to landfilling food which causes huge methane emissions. According to the Drawdown report, food waste prevention is the #1 strategy for preventing the climate crisis!

Economically - in Israel alone, food worth about NIS 20 billion is wasted every year, with 50% of it being edible and salvageable food. In households, the total effect of wasting food every year is equal to NIS 6,300.

Our long-term goal is changing current policies that lead to the staggering food waste in the Israeli society, industry and government, while providing the public with tools to combat food waste in their own lives. We aim to create a vibrant people’s movement urging decision-makers to make a change. After all, who is in favor of wasting food?

It seems the place to start is in the hearts and minds of the public. Through our various collaborations, we can reach every demographic.

We see all this rescued food as potential fuel to engage people in changemaking.

We are organizing far-reaching programs to change the way Israel thinks about food waste.

Through large events, public awareness campaigns, and our different services- we engage people in something so simple: using what we have.

We start with a tasty meal - and that’s where people’s minds click.

Recently launched projects:

1. Promoting local food sharing communities with the help of physical and virtual tools:
Digital platforms for sharing food and saving surplus from retailers.
In addition, pilot a network of community food-sharing fridges.
2. A recorded cooking show for employees of organizations, with recipes and tips for preventing food waste at home.
3. "Robin Food-Truck" which will reach various audiences around the country.

4. The “Robin Food challenge”: A program to train residents to prevent food waste with tools to change routine habits, support from a chef and a community of participants. Participants will have the opportunity to create relevant change in their communities.
5. In addition, in 2022 we started an ambitious project “ZeroW” to prevent food waste, as part of the EU Green Deal - in an international consortium of 46 organizations, for 4 years.

Below is an incomplete list of possible projects that interns could be involved in:

1. Resource Development assistant:

For growing our organization to achieve our dreams: Mapping of orgs and opportunities (philanthropic and entrepreneurial), analysis, writing and contacting.

2. Assistant in development of the Robin Food Challenge:

For an exciting new household food waste prevention project in development and first pilot stages: Advancing organizational research on household food waste behavior and behavior change in general: Reading, summarizing and analyzing academic and other papers - perhaps teaming up with students or academics in Israel or abroad. Possibly piloting a project based on research conclusions.

3. Media assistant:

To reach further audiences with the Robin Food message: Marketing, design, video, social media - content writing, editing, cooperation with media orgs and influencers.

4. International education assistant:

Developing and carrying out educational projects for Olim (internationals moving to Israel) and international communities.

5. Volunteer assistant:

Coordinating international volunteers, volunteer frameworks from different organizations, and local volunteer hosts. Developing and growing of the volunteer operation.

6. Food Sharing Project assistant:

Development and carrying out food sharing projects - such as implementing digital food sharing networks, community fridges and more.

Relevant for everyone if they wish: at different times (according to the events on the schedule), helping out with physical event activities (food rescues, logistics and preparation, kitchen help, carrying out events, service and interaction with audiences etc) lots of action to take part in!

Please note:

More intern projects and activities will be clearer as we progress.

Roles are dynamic and flexible. We are a creative organization with new challenges and opportunities that arise.

Requirements:

Mandatory: Great interpersonal skills, general use of computer, writing skills

Bonus: Knowledge of - CRM systems, Hebrew, design/video programs, culinary skills

Tel Aviv -Yafo municipality

The Authority for Environmental and Sustainability in Tel Aviv -Yafo municipality is responsible for environmental quality and promoting sustainability per the City's vision. The authority holds the City's preparedness to climate change and its effects. In 2018 the City joined C40 and under their umbrella developed and promote a holistic Climate Action Plan (CAP). In 2020 the adaptation plan was published identifying extreme hit and floods as the two main risks in this crisis. The mitigation and green growth plan is about to be published and focus greenhouse gas emissions reduction from three sectors; Energy and buildings, Waste and Transportation. The ambitious city targets requires a transformation in those areas in three main arenas: residential, business and the municipality as an example.

Internship position title:

Intern in climate indicators and mitigation plans.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

- The intern will work with the Climate Change Officer to update the CAP indicators and develop new ones based on local knowledge and analysis plans of C40 member cities - The intern will offer evaluation and measurement tools that meet the requirements of the C40 network.
- The intern will collect data and analyze worldwide best practices in the following areas as part of the CAP action items:
 - o **Food** - reducing food waste and green cafeterias- as part of the city food policy
Reducing consumption in the city
 - o **Energy** - Community based tools to increase energy efficiency in homes and small business.

The proposed position combines technical work on the subject of indicators together with a more diverse analysis of various field. The position opens up an opportunity to get to know in depth the international frameworks operating in cities in the field of climate and is a great opportunity to explore those fields.

Requirements:

The preferred intern has a desire to get to know in depth climate plans at the municipal level, an understanding with the field of indicators and their importance. Preference is given to creative people, able to work independently and deal with reading and analyzing many materials. Good ability to summarize and translate long plans into action documents. The work is in English.

The natural step – TNS

The Natural Step Israel is a not-for-profit organization established in 2012. Its objective is the implementation of strategic sustainability in Israeli society with a focus on innovation and quality. Our work centers around a scientific and practical approach to strategic planning for sustainability, combining innovative tools and concepts from the fields of design and behavioral economics. The organization is part of The Natural Step, an international network operating for the past three decades, to implement strategic sustainability among businesses and public organizations.

Our vision is of a healthy, just, and happy society that thrives within the natural system's boundaries. Our mission is to catalyze the needed transition towards a sustainable society in Israel by introducing new perspectives and tools that create a leap towards sustainability.

We combine robust sustainability principles as well as new methods and models for collaboration around cross sectoral challenges. Our main channels of actions include the Sustainability Transition Lab for collaboration towards sustainability in the food sector; capacity building channel which includes training for high level executives and in-depth workshops, and projects to promote behavior change through positive motivation.

Internship position title:

Research assistant/market research analyst.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

The intern will work closely with the Head of Research and Development, as well as the entire team, on research, design and development of materials that will serve both the organization and its target audience.

Food system resilience is our biggest project. Our focus areas are reducing food waste by applying upstream solutions and dynamic pricing models in Israel. We do on field research as well as publications reviews.

We love working with interns and we have been doing so for over 8 years in collaboration with different programs.

The internship is an online work. When possible, we invite interns to various activities of the organization or the environmental movement. We also keep in touch with many of our former interns.

Please note - since March 2020 due to COVID19 we all work from home. Nonetheless, the intern will have all the professional guidance and personal contact via phone, email and zoom.

Required skills:

- Excellent research skills: ability to sort through large amounts of information, focus on the relevant resources and create relevant insights.
- Strong writing and editing skills (English)
- Accuracy and attention to details
- Responsibility
- Self-driven, ability to self-manage, but also a good team worker.
- Fluent use of Microsoft office programs
- passion for food waste reduction through upstream solutions

The following skills and abilities will be an advantage:

- Graphic design, photography, animation, or other artistic skills, including knowledge in relevant programs (Canva, Photoshop)
- Experience and knowledge in social media (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn)
- Hebrew

Technical requirements:

- Basic equipment, such as a laptop with internet access (most of the work is complete via google drive and its relevant programs available on the internet)
- Ability to work from home.

Venatata

Venatata association operates for the development of ecological forests in cities and villages.

We contribute to the balance of local eco systems and strengthen the social and geographical periphery. We bring communities together, promote economic sustainable growth, and encourage a culture of planting and maintaining trees.

100 Gardens project- establishing 100 therapeutic gardens in 100 rehabilitation centers across the country harnessing the healing power of mother earth.

City-Forest Vision- creating the cities of tomorrow.

Venatata is now focusing on being an essential part of the rebirth of Sderot. We have a very comprehensive plan for how to integrate the healing of Sderot together with nature and the environment and would love for you to be a part of this important effort and assist us Sowing seeds of change.

Internship position title:

Fund Raising (North America and Israel).

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

In order to make Sderot the second Forest-City in Israel and be a part of the long-term healing processes of the region we started and endeavor to raise money from the government, the public and philanthropic entities. The Internship position will be focus upon creating new relationship with philanthropic entities mostly in north America, communicating the association cause, goals and impact and establishing trust with them.

Requirements:

Fluent English, basic office (word excel) skills, effectively communicate the association cause, goals, and impact to potential donors.

Zalul

Zalul plays a large role on the ground, from reporting instances of environmental neglect and organizing beach cleanups, to participating in protests and demonstrations. Zalul continues to raise environmental consciousness among the public and policymakers regarding the importance of a clean environment. Zalul also conducts environmental studies, writes and proposes legislation, and works with a legal consultant on environmental lawsuits. Zalul seeks to work for everyone with the belief that every person, regardless of sex, religion, or nationality, has a right to a clean and healthy environment, and clean and healthy seas. Zalul works to help as many people and communities as possible, including city residents, agricultural settlements, Arab communities and more. The Zalul team includes environmental experts, economists, scientists, lawyers, public relations personnel, volunteers, and more. Zalul is supported by various sources, including individuals from Israel and abroad, private foundations, and especially the Kahn Family Foundation. However, Zalul refuses to accept donations from government agencies in order to preserve its independence and uncompromising commitment to environmental protection.

Internship position title:

Preventing Sea Pollution – International campaign researcher.

Job description including the type of work and responsibilities:

Intern will conduct under supervision of Deputy director, in charge of Marine campaigns in desktop and "field" research in order to provide briefs and summaries as charts and maps for press releases, and policy papers; and drafts for letters for international organizations and scholars which might assist to achieve our Environmental and Marine campaigns.

We are small (10 persons) staff working in close cooperation mostly in Hebrew but all of us speak and understand English we collaborate with researchers in universities volunteers and professionals from different skills that are needed for public campaigns, lobbying and legislation.

Requirements:

Background in Sciences (Biology, Earth sciences, Chemistry, Physics and Geography); Writing skill, knowledge in Microsoft office (excel, PowerPoint), Basic skills in GIS program could be beneficial; Proficient English must; Hebrew could be very helpful, but not necessary; Russian, Arabic, Spanish German and French, Mandarin, Portuguese or Japanese could also be helpful.

Self-motivated and team spirit person.