# GOOD EXCHANGES MAKE GOOD NEIGHBORS



# TALK TO US ABOUT THE US-MEXICO INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

## OUR COMPETITIVE VETTING PROCESS HELPS YOUR CLIENT IDENTIFY QUALIFIED INTERNS

#### **SERVICES PROVIDED:**

- Identify qualified students & graduates
- Technical assistance for intern plan
- Issue DS-2019 Certificate
- Prepare interns for visa process
- Pre-departure orientation
- Post-arrival check-in
- 24 hour emergency support
- Monitor your client's satisfaction
- Exclusive AILA 'train the trainer' sessions
- Expert advice on compliance and regulations

**ELIGIBLE FIELDS:** 

ARCHITECTURE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION ENGINEERING FINANCE & OPERATIONS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LAW MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS NATURAL & PHYSICAL SCIENCES PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION TRADE & COMMERCE

BRING ON MORE J-1s! Grow your practice with our 'next level' program development!

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Honoring our immigrant past, shaping our immigrant future

# **CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

The American Immigration Council provides J-1 visa sponsorships which promote cultural understanding and develop the international networks critical in today's global economy. Our Cultural Exchange Program currently sponsors close to 700 exchange visitor interns and trainees from over 75 countries, making an impact in more than 400 host companies across the United States.

Interns and trainees sponsored by our office receive short-term, temporary authorization to participate in work-based educational and professional exchanges across the following occupational categories:

- → Architecture
- → Arts & Culture

**INTERNS** 

- → Law & Public Admin
- → Media & Communications
- → Management, Business, Commerce & Finance
- → Non-Clinical Social Services
- → Social & Library Sciences
- → Sciences & Engineering
- → Mathematics
- → Industry
- → Tourism Management

#### MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY PROFILES

#### TRAINEES

- Currently enrolled in an accredited post-secondary *academic* program outside of the U.S.; or
- Graduated within the past 12 months from such a program
- 12 month maximum duration

- Degree/certification from an accredited post-secondary academic institution + 1 year work experience outside of the U.S. in the same field; or
- 5+ years of full time experience in same field outside of the U.S.
- 18 month maximum duration

Our Cultural Exchange Program team supports exchange visitors and host organizations in the initial sponsorship application, pre-arrival orientation, in-country support, program evaluation, and alumni engagement. Applications are managed through a streamlined online platform, integrating up-to-date forms and compliance measures compatible with Department of State regulatory and Council policy requirements.

Our experienced staff has created a winning service model working with AILA members and their clients. We readily provide personalized, detailed technical assistance to develop training and internship plans. We offer competitive pricing and monitor your client's satisfaction.

We are here to help you and your clients! Our staff remains dedicated to partnering with AILA lawyers to support and promote bona fide training and internship opportunities with your firm and with your private-sector clients.

## **CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM STAFF**

#### **COLLEEN TOMLINSON**

Cultural Exchange Operations Manager Colleen brings over 14 years of experience streamlining international education and exchange programs in the private sector and academic arena.

### STEPHANIE RUCKER ANDREWS

Cultural Exchange Development Manager Stephanie draws on over 10 years of international experience to lead outreach, programming and evaluation initiatives for our sponsorship programs.

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