What we Do

The U.S. Commercial Service Germany at the U.S. Embassy in Berlin, and the American Consulates General in Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, and Munich promotes the export of U.S. goods and services into the German market and inward investment into the United States. We provide a range of services and programs to help American companies export goods and services to Germany.

The U.S. Commercial Service is the trade promotion arm of the U.S. Department of Commerce’s International Trade Administration. Our office analyzes information on the German market, facilitates contacts with German businesses, promotes U.S. products in Germany and other European markets, and advocates U.S. business interests. We assist trade missions to Germany and provide logistical support to U.S. companies holding product launches and at trade shows.

What our Interns Do

Interns are given assignments that will provide exposure to a full range of our activities and services, and every attempt is made to give meaningful and hands on experience where appropriate.

Interns learn from Commercial Service staff by:

- Collecting and analyzing information for market research reports for trade delegations and/or American companies on entry or expansion into Germany; including potential business partners, trade data, and in country promotions
- Assisting with our matchmaking services that help U.S. companies find partners and distributors in Germany
- Advising American and German companies on diverse trade issues
- Managing our U.S. Commercial Service Germany websites buyusa.gov/germany and export.gov/germany including publishing, updating, and managing content.

How to apply

Your application (submitted at least 4 months in advance)
- Cover letter
- Resume
- References (academic and/or professional): Name, title, and contact information included or reference letter
- Proof of enrollment at a university or institute of higher education

Eligibility

- Enrollment at a university or institute of higher education after second year of academic studies
- Fluency in German and English
- Good communication and computer skills
- Availability for up to 12 weeks
- Passing U.S. Government background check

Payment and Insurance

- This internship is a volunteer service. Federal regulations prohibit financial compensation.
- An official letter of recommendation will be provided.
- Most universities will award 3-6 credits for a completed internship.
- No federal government liability is assumed.

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Application

Please submit your application via email to the office location you wish to perform your internship, or call us if you have any questions. Please let us know if you apply in more than one of our locations.

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