



## Australia UAE Business Council and Australia-Israel Chamber of Commerce **Joint Internship Program**

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In 2021 the Australian UAE Business Council (**AUSUAEBC**) with the Australia Israel Chamber of Commerce (**AICC**) established the Joint Internship Program as an academic research program that would allow participants to intern with the two organizations and undertake specific research in areas of interest to both.

Interns must outline their area of interest and policy issue during the application process. Once their application is accepted, interns will research the policy area of interest, comparing and contrasting policy settings between Australia, Israel and the UAE, outlining challenges and potential solutions. The final product is a research paper meeting those requirements.

These research papers make an important contribution in developing the thinking of the Australian UAE Business Council and Australia Israel Chamber of Commerce in identifying trade and collaboration opportunities. Interns are also paired with an industry mentor who will provide guidance and direction.

Final research papers are submitted to AUSUAEBC and AICC. Through the program, there may also be opportunities for interns to present their ideas and findings to industry, diplomats, and government ministers.

At the conclusion of the internship, interns are given the opportunity to lead a webinar panel session on their topic of interest through the AUSUAEBC / AICC Virtual Summit, with interns coached and encouraged to moderate discussion by a panel of experts.

### **Policy areas of interest**

Examples of policy areas include advanced manufacturing; energy; agriculture; tourism; and digital technologies. Applicants may specify up to three research topics (and short synopsis) through the application process.

### **Who can apply?**

Applicants should be later year university students and early-career professionals, located in Australia, Israel or the UAE.

Applicants should possess strong research and oral/writing skills as interns will be required to submit a research paper outline (500 words) and final research paper (max 5,000 words). Interns may also have to present their ideas and findings to various audiences, so strong communication skills are a must!

Applicants must also be able to demonstrate that their place of study or work supports their application and will be covered by their organisation's Personal Accident insurance. Most universities are happy to cover their students for work experience or placements – please make your own enquiries ahead of applying for this internship opportunity.

A letter of support from an employer advising that the applicant will be covered by the employer's Personal Accident Insurance while undertaking the internship would also be sufficient.

### **Time commitment required**

Interns should make themselves available for around 8-10 hours each week (on average) for the duration of the internship, including a fortnightly half hour meeting with an industry mentor.

Applications open late November, with the program running from January to June the following year:

November	Applications open
December	Applications Close
January	Receive and accept internship offer Confirmation of final research topic and allocation of industry mentor
February	Commence research through academic and open-source resources
March	Outline of research paper submitted; feedback received
April	Industry consultation with AUSUAEBC and AICC members
May	Finalisation of research paper
June	Research paper due, conclusion of internship

### **Requirements**

The internship will be unpaid, and associated costs of participation are the responsibility of the intern. A computer or laptop with access to the internet with Microsoft Word and Microsoft Teams installed will be required.

### **To apply**

Please apply online at [www.ausuaeabc.com/internship](http://www.ausuaeabc.com/internship). You will be required to provide up to three research topics with a short synopsis as well as a copy of your resume or CV.

### **Enquiries**

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