

Department of Defence Internships 2026 New Hiring

Description

Are you passionate about national security and eager to contribute to the defense of our nation? The Department of Defence offers internship opportunities for driven and motivated individuals interested in gaining valuable experience in a dynamic and critical field. Our internship program provides a unique chance to work alongside experts in various departments and contribute to meaningful projects that impact our nation's safety and security.

Responsibilities

As an intern at the Department of Defence, you will have the opportunity to:

- **Learn from Experts:** Work closely with experienced professionals in your chosen field, gaining insights and knowledge that will shape your future career.
- **Hands-On Experience:** Contribute to real-world projects and initiatives that directly support national defense and security efforts.
- **Research and Analysis:** Conduct research, collect data, and analyze information to inform decision-making processes.
- **Collaboration:** Collaborate with colleagues and teams across various departments to solve complex challenges and achieve common goals.
- **Professional Development:** Attend training sessions, workshops, and seminars to enhance your skills and knowledge in the field of national security.
- **Networking:** Build valuable connections with professionals in the Department of Defence and other agencies, expanding your network within the national security community.
- **Career Development:** Receive guidance and mentorship to help you explore potential career paths within the Department of Defence and the broader national security sector.

Qualifications

- Currently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate or graduate program.
- Strong interest in national security, defense, international relations, or related fields.
- Excellent communication and teamwork skills.
- Analytical and problem-solving abilities.
- U.S. citizenship (required for certain positions).

Job Benefits

At the Department of Defence, we believe in investing in our interns and providing them with a rewarding experience. Our comprehensive internship program offers a range of benefits to support your personal and professional growth:

- **Hands-On Learning:** Gain practical, real-world experience that will enhance your resume and set you apart in your future career.
- **Mentorship:** Access to experienced mentors and professionals who will provide guidance and support throughout your internship.
- **Professional Development:** Participate in training sessions, workshops, and seminars to develop your skills and knowledge in the field of national security.

Hiring organization

Department of Defence

Employment Type

Intern

Duration of employment

3 Months

Industry

Armed Forces

Job Location

Pretoria, Gauteng, South Africa, 0001, Pretoria, Gauteng, South Africa

Working Hours

09

Date posted

April 11, 2026

Valid through

15.08.2030

- **Networking Opportunities:** Build valuable connections with experts, colleagues, and peers within the Department of Defence and the broader national security community.
- **Meaningful Work:** Contribute to projects and initiatives that directly impact the security and well-being of the United States and its citizens.
- **Career Exploration:** Explore potential career paths within the Department of Defence and gain insights into the various roles and responsibilities in national security.
- **Competitive Stipend:** Receive a competitive stipend to support your living expenses during the internship.
- **Flexible Hours:** Depending on the specific program and department, some internships may offer flexible work hours to accommodate your academic schedule.
- **Security Clearance Assistance:** For positions requiring security clearance, we offer assistance and guidance throughout the clearance process.
- **Opportunity for Full-Time Employment:** Exceptional interns may have the opportunity to transition into full-time positions within the Department of Defence upon graduation.

Contacts

If you are ready to embark on a rewarding journey toward a career in national security and defense, we encourage you to apply for an internship at the Department of Defence. Visit our careers website to view available internship opportunities and submit your application.

Join us in defending the nation and shaping the future of national security. Together, we make a difference.