

**United Nations Resident Coordination Africa - Australian Institute for Business and Economics (AIBE) International Internship Leadership Program  
AFRICA**

The United Nations Resident Coordination Africa - Australian Institute for Business and Economics (AIBE) Internship is for a minimum of three months, with a possibility of extension up to six months, if required by both organisations. Successful candidates will be provided with ongoing mentoring by the United Nations and awarded a certificate of completion by both organisations at the end of the placement.

The internship is full-time for both Masters and PhD students (part-time positions might be considered). Interns work under the supervision of staff members at the United Nations Resident Coordination and AIBE. Interns will undertake analytical studies and policy-oriented research on medium- to long-term sustainable development issues facing the African region and potential connections with Australia.

**Accountabilities**

Undertake research, analysis and assist with the organisation of online events, in areas such as:

- approaches to sustainable development: domestic and external resource mobilization, SDGs and business sustainability, poverty alleviation and gender issues, public-private partnerships, official development assistance (ODA)
- regional approaches to business sustainability
- the role of Australian companies operating in Africa post-pandemic and sustainable business models
- special support to least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States: poverty reduction, LDC graduation, economic diversification, structural transformation, development cooperation
- identify key short- to medium-term risks to sustainable development in the Africa region; prepare literature reviews, grant proposals, summary tables, graphs, and other inputs, as needed, for UN-AIBE publications, working papers and policy briefs
- perform other related duties as assigned.

**Selection Criteria**

To qualify for this Internship Program, the following conditions must be met:

- be enrolled in a school program (second university degree or equivalent, or higher); be enrolled in the final academic year
- be computer literate in standard software applications, social media and ideally statistical/ packages such as Stata, NVivo
- have demonstrated a keen interest in the work of the United Nations
- have demonstrated the ability to successfully interact with individuals of different cultural backgrounds and beliefs, which includes willingness to understand and be tolerant of differing opinions and views.

**Application**

To be considered for an internship, applicants should submit:

- a curriculum vitae
- a 1-2 page draft proposal for a potential publication aligned with one of the themes outlined above.

Applications should be submitted to Dr Isabel B. Franco, Research Fellow, AIBE at [isabelfranco@uq.edu.au](mailto:isabelfranco@uq.edu.au).