

## TEACHING INTERNSHIPS AT COLEGIO BILINGÜE NEW HORIZONS, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

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Georgia Tech undergraduate students have the opportunity to participate in global internships in the Dominican Republic. Interns will be hosted by the Colegio Bilingüe New Horizons (New Horizons), a private and bilingual international school that offers all levels of education from toddlers through high school students across two campuses (Santo Domingo and Santiago). New Horizons follows the Spanish language curriculum of the Dominican Ministry of Education, and its English language program is equivalent to a college preparatory STEM-oriented high school program in the U.S. New Horizons is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Interns must be native English speakers but are not required to speak Spanish, although knowledge of the language is a plus.

[www.newhorizons.edu.do](http://www.newhorizons.edu.do)

### LENGTH OF INTERNSHIPS

- Fall semester only
- Spring semester only

### TYPES OF INTERNSHIPS

#### **Classroom Teacher in English Language, Math, Science or Social Sciences**

A classroom teacher will be responsible for preparing and presenting well-planned classes in the subject area of expertise under the guidance and supervision of a trained teacher or academic supervisor. Teachers follow the New Horizons' Curriculum guides within the methodology of SIOP (Sheltered Instruction for Learners of Other Languages), which places considerable emphasis on the teaching and learning of academic vocabulary as well as lesson content. There is intensive use of technology in all classrooms, and students all have either a tablet (pre-school - 6<sup>th</sup> grade) or personal laptops (grades 7-12). Many textbooks are digital, and homework, extra material and most assessments are accomplished using the platform Moodle. New Horizons has developed its own communication and grading system software to use with parents and students.

#### **Teaching Assistant (TA) in English Language, Math, Science or Social Sciences**

A teacher's assistant will aid the classroom instructor while learning classroom management techniques and acquiring lesson planning skills. TAs are expected to teach a limited number of classes while being observed by their mentor teacher, the school principal and others.

### ELIGIBILITY

- native English speaker
- at least 90 academic credit hours completed
- current, active Georgia Tech undergraduate when applying
- current, active Georgia Tech undergraduate for duration of internship
- in good academic standing with a minimum 2.0 GPA
- in good disciplinary standing

### SCHEDULE

- work approximately 35 hours per week
- Specific schedules determined by position type and class schedule

## COST CONSIDERATIONS

New Horizons provides:

- a private bedroom in an apartment shared with no more than two other teachers
- all utilities and internet service in the apartment
- subsidized meals at the school
- airport pick up
- assistance in obtaining a Dominican temporary work visa if necessary
- training, professional assessments, and support once at new horizons
- teaching materials
- a salary sufficient enough to cover basic costs of meals not provided by school, personal travel, and other basics (specific amount determined at the time an offer is made and dependent upon position type)

New Horizons does not provide:

- airfare to/from Santo Domingo or Santiago, Dominican Republic.
- personal travel while in the Dominican Republic
- money to cover incidental expenses
- international insurance (must be purchased through the Georgia Tech Office of International Education upon registration with the Global Internship Program)

## APPLICATION PROCESS

**Step 1:** Email Susan Belmonte, Pre-Teaching Advisor, [sbelmonte@gatech.edu](mailto:sbelmonte@gatech.edu) regarding your desire to apply and include a *good draft* resume and a *good draft* letter of interest (cover letter) explaining why you want to intern and why you believe you are qualified. Susan Belmonte will then work with you on polishing your materials before you submit them to New Horizons.

Students interested in spring internships should email their drafts **no later than September 15 in the fall semester prior to the spring semester they want to intern**. For example, if you want to intern in Spring 2020. Email your drafts by September 15, 2019.

Students interested in fall internships should email their drafts no later than **March 15 in the spring semester of the same year they want to intern**. For example, if you want to intern in Fall 2020, email your drafts by March 15, 2020.

**Step 2:** Select students will interview via Skype. Interviews may not be granted to all applicants.

**Step 3:** All students are required to register the internship with the Global Internship Program in OIE. Please contact Hannah Moon if you have any questions about the process. Students will remain enrolled at GT as full-time students during the entirety of the internship. Although interns do not pay tuition or earn academic credit, the international internship experience will appear on the intern's transcripts, which looks great for graduate and professional schools as well as future employers.