Want to start building your professional career? WLO internship opportunities are a good place to start!

If you’re interested in leisure studies and international organizations, and whether you’re an undergraduate or a postgraduate there is a place for you at WLO. After an initial briefing, presentation and orientation you will start contributing to the different projects and activities immediately. Project coordinators will guide and give you constructive feedback and career advice along your internship period.
Formed in 1952, the World Leisure Organization is a non-profit, non-governmental body of individuals and organizations from throughout the world. The World Leisure Organization’s most prized partnership is its recognition as a consultive organization with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations. This recognition provides WLO with a platform to support the work of the United Nations by reflecting its goals in the organization’s programs and services. The World Leisure Organization is committed to the belief that well selected leisure experiences improve quality of life for all – from childhood to later life. We draw our members from all parts of the world and from diverse areas of interest including travel and tourism, parks and recreation services, the arts and culture, sport, health and fitness, theme and entertainment centers and educational institutions.
WLO achieves its mission, vision and goals through its programs and activities that are developed according to four main strands: advocacy, research, education, and knowledge transfer.

**Advocating for Leisure**
To advocate for leisure by creating and dissemination policy statements, model legislative acts and information regarding leisure benefits.

**Enhancing Research**
To explore through research and scholarly activities the relationship of leisure to the concept of identity, the process of transformation, and the ways in which leisure contributes to enhancing the human condition.

**Expanding educational opportunities**
To provide educational opportunities and other learning venues focusing on ways in which leisure contributes to identity formulation, transformation and improving human condition.

**Fostering knowledge transfer**
To disseminate and canalize the research outcomes through the different educational events and publications. To provide exchanging and sharing opportunities for academics, professionals and citizens.
Through an internship at WLO you can:

➢ Have a top of the line challenging and rewarding experience

➢ Work and learn from worldwide experts in the leisure field

➢ Grow your network of like-minded professionals and academics

Intern profile:

➢ Education: leisure studies, marketing and communication, business management,…

➢ Skills: Enthusiastic and self-motivated with excellent oral and writing skills. Organizational, attention to detail and critical thinking.

➢ Interests: work in an international environment.

➢ Language: Fluent English (oral and written). Other languages will be highly appreciated.
The internship opportunities have been designed according to WLO strategic working lines and its programmes. Internship candidates can apply for the different positions explained below according to their education, experience, skills and interests. Applying for a specific position does not strictly mean that candidates will be requested to support the management team in different projects and tasks.

**ADVOCACY**
- Collaborate with Inter-governmental organizations: United Nations, UNESCO, UNTWO, etc.
- Embrace the UN SDG in WLO Programmes
- Set up partnerships with sister organizations and other strategic institutions
- Promote and build the network of WLO Communities of Excellence worldwide

**RESEARCH**
- Assist in conducting desk research linked to the set up and first actions of the World Leisure Observatory.
- Build case studies of World Leisure Communities of Excellence.

**EDUCATION**
- Within the World Leisure Centers of Excellence network, assist in the planning and organization of the upcoming field school programme.
- Support with the coordination and organization of the upcoming study tour.
(*As per the upcoming field school and study tour take place in China, Chinese language will be highly commended for this internship opportunity*)

**KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER**
- Content creation on WLO’s work and activities for dissemination in partner publications.
- Support with planning, onsite assistance and follow up with current project’s and activities connected to: Expo, forums, international scientific congress, student’s field schools, professional study tours, onsite board and executive meetings, etc.

**MARKETING & COMMUNICATION**
- Support fostering WLO member’s community
- Assist in designing an attractive sponsorship package
- Mailing and social media content writing, designing and reporting
- Database management support

*If you have any questions or need further information about WLO internship opportunities, please send an email to: secretariat@worldleisure.org*