



# EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING INTERNATIONAL

## ARGENTINA INTERNSHIPS

Few cities around the globe offer interns the kinds of opportunities you can tap into in Buenos Aires.

ELI Abroad can arrange exciting placements in a huge variety of fields. If you don't see your area of interest listed below, ask us about arranging a custom program to fit your specific needs. For those who want to boost their Spanish skills, we can also arrange language lessons along with your placement.

Why choose Buenos Aires? It's truly one of the world's great capitals. With over 9,000,000 residents, this is no sleepy town. In fact, you may not get much sleep in this nightlife-loving city whose European-style boulevards, lively cultural venues, fine restaurants and clubs make it a must-see destination for travelers from all over the world. The residents of Buenos Aires (called Porteños) are known for their style and flair; living among them is an adventure in itself.

But there's so much more to Argentina than just Buenos Aires, which is why ELI Abroad also has opportunities in Bariloche, Cordoba, Rosario, Mendoza and the beach-centric city of Mar del Plata. Contact ELI Abroad to see where we can place you!

On weekends or holidays, ELI Abroad interns have a wealth of options. Everything from skiing in the Andes (when it's summer in the Northern Hemisphere, it's winter in South America;) wine tasting among the renown wineries of Mendoza; exploring the Pampas -- the vast ranching plains of Argentina -- to trekking in the wilds of Patagonia's Tierra del Fuego.

Most internships will require at least an 8 week minimum time commitment. All interns must have at least an intermediate level of Spanish proficiency and feel comfortable working in an all-Spanish speaking environment.

### INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND MARKETING

ELI partners with a variety of small and medium sized firms in Buenos Aires looking for interns in the following areas: international business, marketing, entrepreneurship, consulting, internet advertising, web design and online marketing. All internships are made on an individual basis depending on the length of your proposed stay, your interests and availability. A few of the companies we are currently placing interns with include:

- Consulting company offering comprehensive business services for companies in the import/export business
- Civil association comprised of small to medium sized export companies
- Technology company conducting market research on the North American and European markets
- Company promoting entrepreneurship among small boutique wineries
- International financial firm
- Online ad network specializing in Hispanic America
- Online tourism website dedicated to promoting tourist activities and deals in Buenos Aires in multiple languages

Requirements for these internships are: upper- intermediate Spanish, your own laptop, excellent English writing skills and work experience/education in a relevant field. Some internships may also require knowledge of specific computer programs.

Julie Goodman interned at Bairexport:

*"Overall, it was a great experience and I would highly recommend this internship to anyone interested in international business. The intern should have an intermediate-high level of Spanish. All work is explained and completed in Spanish. The duties of the intern can range from completing misiones comerciales, organization of clients' information, market research for specific clients, to meeting with and corresponding with specific clients. I worked on a little bit of everything, but my main focus was on market research. "*



## INTERNSHIPS IN ENGINEERING

Engineering students are welcomed to intern in Argentina, where a shortage of engineers means opportunities for Spanish-speaking professionals from overseas and international students, preferably those in their final year. Many of the Argentine companies require a minimum stay of three months to ensure interns are integrated into the company and familiar with its projects. Possibilities include: Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Industrial Engineering and more. All placements will be based on applicants' relevant education and work experience.

## JOURNALISM AND COMMUNICATIONS

Interns with a strong interest in journalism, creative writing, communications, public relations and event planning are needed to work with a variety of companies seeking bilingual and native English speakers. From writing web page content, to promoting a company's brand and web presence to writing articles for well-known Buenos Aires newspaper, there are a myriad of opportunities for go-getters with a flair for expression. Applicants should have upper-intermediate to advanced Spanish, be self-motivated and have relevant experience and/or education. Journalism internships with the Spanish-language newspaper require that interns have advanced Spanish and at least two previously published articles.

## GRAPHIC AND WEB DESIGN

Graphic design, web design, online advertising, managing online communities and computer programming are all hot careers in Buenos Aires. Opportunities are available with a variety of companies, non-profit organizations and NGOs. Applicants for these internships are encouraged to highlight their familiarity with any of the following: HTML, Flash, CCS, PHP, Java, Photoshop, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, CDR, MKT, Microsoft Office, Adobe and social networking sites. A few of the placements we are currently offering include these companies:

- Graphic and web design studio working with high profile clients
- Advertising and graphic design agency
- Consulting firm specializing in website development, SEO and internet marketing strategies
- Sustainable design company (interns would focus on on-line community)
- Company focusing on software and programming solutions for
- Social media start-up that monitors online opinions about brands, products, issues, and people

## INTERNSHIPS IN FASHION

Learn the ins and outs of a fashion-related business and enhance your professional portfolio by interning with a small modeling company recently ranked one of the top 5 in its field. You'll gain hands-on experience and learn the basics of fashion-related marketing, PR, art and design. Interns' responsibilities include, but aren't limited to, helping in video productions and photo shoots, assistance in marketing, online sales and PR.



## LEGAL

ELI works with several law firms in Buenos Aires to create internships for law students to gain experience working in Buenos Aires and gain insight into the Argentine legal system. The firms we work with specialize in litigation, business consulting, environmental law, corporate law, intellectual property, international tax, commercial law, and dispute resolution. Interns conduct research, assist in the communication with other law firms abroad, translation projects, and document preparation.

Brittany Hightower interned at Allonca Abogados:

*“On a daily basis I am responsible for translation work. I like this type of work because I learn a lot about the background of certain types of cases and how the attorneys negotiate. My long-term projects consist of translating lengthy and in-depth legal documents. Right now I am working on a summary in Spanish of an article from the United States. The environment couldn’t be better. All my coworkers are welcoming and make an effort to help me learn. My supervisor goes over my written work with me to show me my mistakes. It was clear from day one that everyone was glad to have me there.”*



## POLITICS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

ELI partners with several organizations in Buenos Aires working to protect human rights, women’s rights and the democratic process while also actively engaging in efforts to promoting international cooperation, civic participation and a strong democracy. Interns with education or background in political science, human rights, international relations or public policy are needed to assist in areas such as:

- Research and writing
- Translation of documents and web content
- Advocacy and outreach
- Program support and administrative assistance
- Community workshops

Applicants should be at least upper-intermediate Spanish speakers, independent workers, students of a related field and able to commit to at least 8 weeks. All internships are made on an individual basis depending on the length of your proposed stay, your interests and availability.





## INTERNSHIPS IN TEACHING

### Teaching English

As in many parts of the world, learning English is important for Portefios seeking to enter the globalized job market. While most children learn English in school, few have the opportunity to converse with a native speaker. As an intern or volunteer teacher you will work in public and private schools throughout Buenos Aires, assisting local teachers with their lessons and providing one-on-one support for students of all levels. This is a wonderful opportunity for students interested in pursuing a career in ESL or teaching limited-English students in the future.

### ESL

Students with an appropriate TEFL certificate may earn a modest stipend as they teach English in Buenos Aires and other cities in Argentina. This program has two start dates - March and August -- and may require a specific time commitment. Contact ELI Abroad for more details.

### Teach, Help with Marketing

Perfect your Spanish and join the staff of an innovative company that's created an exciting and unconventional way for students to learn a second language. The group makes language learning interactive by bringing together English-speaking foreigners and locals in order to make friends and learn each other's language. The "classrooms" are city cafes, restaurants, parks and other fun social settings. Interns will help develop this growing business by coordinating daily meets, ensuring a timely flow of events and helping to market the company. It's a unique opportunity for socially inclined interns who want to improve their Spanish conversational skills and with an interest in marketing, business development, communications and event planning.



### Teaching Homeless Children

In Argentina, as in much of Latin America, the ability to speak English is a sought after skill. When you intern with this nonprofit, you'll be teaching English to children and young people in need. This organization offers shelter, food, psychological evaluations, schooling, and even recreational activities to participating homeless children living in various children's homes. In addition to teaching English, interns will create and participate in activities that enhance language learning and promote the advancement of kids' conversational skills.

## QUOTES, ADVICE, AND STORIES FROM PREVIOUS INTERNS

*I absolutely loved my time in Buenos Aires. I had such a great time that I plan on returning to next summer to spend an even longer time. I would recommend my experience to anyone. It was amazing!*

-Lindsay D. 2011

My experience with this program and ELI in general has been great – if in the future the opportunity arises for me to do something else similar, I would definitely go through ELI again! Thank you for everything!

-Melissa W. 2011

I loved the program and the on-site team really helped to make the transition super easy and helped me fall in love with the city.

-Sarah B. 2011

[When working in a medical internship, participants] should have excellent Spanish skills – it is an absolute necessity. Some doctors told me that they liked having me around because I was easy to talk to, and that some past interns were simply not equipped with sufficient Spanish to understand most of what was going on and what was being explained to them. I also recall other interns complaining about “not having enough to do,” which was definitely not the case with me – their complaints may have been a result of unrealistic expectations (we don't have our MD's yet!) and the doctors not trusting them to do anything, given their Spanish.

-Natasha N. 2010

## OTHER

ELI works with a private Spanish language school that provides intensive small group classes at a variety of levels in addition to private one-on-one classes. Classes begin every week. Please inquire for costs and additional information.

## OPTIONAL SPANISH CLASSES

If you are interested in a field or type of internship that is not listed here, talk to us! We have many connections in Buenos Aires and might be able to set something up that matches what you are looking for.

Most internship placements in Argentina have a minimum time commitment of 8 weeks. Many organizations prefer interns able to commit to 10-12 weeks because of all the training they invest in interns.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

### Homestay

We have home stays located throughout the nicest neighborhoods of Buenos Aires (i.e. Palermo, Belgrano, Barrio Norte, Recoleta, Colegiales, etc.) which means that we will be able to place you close to your school, volunteer or internship placement. Our families choose to house international students because they believe in the benefits of cultural exchange and enjoy opening their home and family to new people. You will be provided with your own furnished room and a Cell Phone (minutes purchased separately). Homestays are best if your main goal is to learn as much Spanish as possible, you enjoy being at home with family and you are open minded to new living conditions and cultures.

\*Meals can be included for an additional fee.

### Shared Flat

The shared apartment option provides you with your own room in the apartment of a young Argentine. This housing option is a great way to make friends and contacts your own age while providing the opportunity to optimize your Spanish speaking practice. Participants staying in the shared apartment will have a private, furnished room. The shared apartment option is best for you if you want to live with an Argentine your own age, if you prefer to prepare your own meals, if you feel you need the freedom to come and go, and if you feel you have outgrown a homestay or student residence arrangement.

\* A damage deposit is required for all host families and shared apartments. It must be paid at check-in and will be refunded at check-out if there is no damage. Money will be taken out of the deposit to pay for any damages done by the participant.



## COST\*

For up-to-date prices please visit our web <http://www.eliabroad.org/cost-argentina>

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## HOW TO APPLY

For more information on these, or any of our other programs. Please email us at [info@eliabroad.org](mailto:info@eliabroad.org) or call us during normal business hours at 303-321-8278

You may apply online and pay the application fee at [www.eliabroad.org](http://www.eliabroad.org). Please note the application fee is non-refundable unless we cannot find a placement that matches your request. You can also mail your application fee to us at:

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