

Internship - Somalia Team



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PEACE AND STABILITY, GOVERNANCE, INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND RESILIENCE IN SOMALIA AND THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY SITUATION ON THE HORN OF AFRICA?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK IN A VIBRANT ENVIRONMENT, AT THE LARGEST DANISH EMBASSY IN AFRICA?

We are currently recruiting interns in the following areas: 1) Kenya: Governance and Health, 2) Kenya: Trade Council & Strategic Sector Cooperation, 3) Kenya: Green Growth and 4) Somalia: Country Policy and Programme – Horn of Africa Peace and Stabilisation Programme and Humanitarian Assistance for the period 1st of August 2021 to 31st of January 2022. As an intern, you will get a deeper insight into the political and economic dynamics of East Africa. Furthermore, you will gain comprehensive professional experience useful to your future career. You will have dedicated colleagues ready to guide and involve you in the various tasks of the Danish Embassy and live in a city known for its vivid mix of African cultures, entrepreneurs and international agents.

Internship in fragility, stability, development and humanitarian aid

As an intern in the Somalia Team at the Danish Embassy in Nairobi you will be exposed to hands-on experience with diplomacy and development programming in fragile settings and get insights into policy issues and international development cooperation at one of Denmark's largest embassies.

Since the state collapse in 1991, Somalia has been one of the most entrenched conflict zones in Africa. However, in recent years, Somalia has been on a track of recovery and has undergone critical developments. Nevertheless, the challenges for the future are many, pivoting on how politics and development translates into results for ordinary people, how the Somalia state-building and federalisation process are moving on, how the struggle against al-Shabaab continues, and how humanitarian efforts can reach the ones in need in order for them to move onto a peaceful, stable and development path.

Learning

The most important part of being an intern in the Somalia Team is to learn and become familiar with the inner workings of peace and stabilisation, politics, development and finally diplomacy and day to day administration. You will have plenty of opportunity to work with political relations, peace and stabilisation, economic development, human rights and the peace, humanitarian and development nexus as well as humanitarian emergency assistance, internally displaced and refugees.



A main part of your internship involves the day-to-day management of development, peace and stabilisation and humanitarian programmes as well as political processes. As an intern, you will assist on a broad array of topics, from acting as focal point on internal processes, over political and humanitarian reporting, to help out with administration and implementation of strategies and programmes, such as the Somalia Country Programme 2019-2023 and the Peace and Stabilisation Programme for the Horn of Africa 2018-2022.

And there will be other tasks and assignments coming up on an ad hoc basis such as assisting with preparing conferences, workshops and the like.

Qualifications

- A Bachelor degree and admission at master level at a Danish University. E.g. political science, anthropology, law, development studies or public administration.
- Genuine interest in international relations and development.
- Strong interpersonal skills, work independently, demonstrate initiative and value teamwork.
- Experience with organisational work through student positions and volunteering, or if you have been living and travelling in development countries - is considered an advantage.
- Danish citizenship or fulfilling the following requirements: The applicant has lived in Denmark for a longer period (at least 3-4 years), is admitted at a Danish University or Business School and at the time of applying has residence in Denmark.

Practicalities

The internship will be eligible for transfer of ETCS points at a relevant educational institution.

The Embassy provides a monthly supplement of DKK 4000 of which approximately half will be spent on rent for the apartment shared by the Embassy's four interns. Due to regulations regarding SU and compensation, you will have two options regarding receiving the supplement:

- 1) Choose not to receive SU and get the monthly supplement of DKK 4000 per month.
- 2) Receive SU and hand in documentation of concrete expenses (including flight tickets, vaccines, insurance, etc.) up to DKK 4000 per month.

Due to Nairobi being a city with high security risks there are certain limitations to the movements of the interns. For more information on the security situation in Nairobi, please see the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs' recommendations on travelling in Kenya. The Embassy provides regular security briefings.

Apply now!

Please send your application, CV, relevant recommendations and transcripts in a single PDF. The application must be in English, no longer than one page, and sent to rosnde@um.dk with cc: nboamb@um.dk by the **14th of March 2021** marked 'Application for Internship – Somalia Team'. Please state clearly if you are also applying for other positions within the Embassy. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Joaquim Nicholas Nyrup Hempel, joahem@um.dk.