

INTERN HIGHLIGHTS

SUMMER 2024

LATEST:
WHAT HAVE
INTERNS BEEN UP
TO THIS SUMMER?

**INTERN
ACCOMPLISHMENTS**
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CLASS OVERVIEW

The Wilson Center takes pride in the contributions of our staff assistant and research assistant interns. Among our intern class of **54**, we hosted a total of...

49

STAFF ASSISTANT
INTERNS



5

RESEARCH ASSISTANT
INTERNS




31

UNIVERSITIES
REPRESENTED



12

COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED

INTERN EVENTS

In Summer 2024, interns had the opportunity to attend a variety of professional, social, and networking activities. A highlight of the semester was National Intern Day on July 25th, where interns were celebrated for their hard work by having a roundtable talk with Ambassador Mark Green, followed by an intern social. Each office was encouraged to show their interns lots of love and we hope to celebrate this holiday every year!

The Internships Office thanks all those who have helped to welcome and mentor interns at the Wilson Center and pull off engaging events this semester.



Intern Roundtable with Amb. Green



Intern Social



Intern Showcase





From left to right: Yohan Moon, Sebastian Garcia (Intern), Kayla Orta (Director), Yohan Moon (Intern), Myung-Hye Cho (Junior Scholar), Marissa Harrold (Intern)

YOHAN MOON

Staff Assistant Intern, Korea Center

Yohan provided direct support to the Korea Center team in launching and leading a congressional masterclass on Capitol Hill, the NextGen Leadership Program 2024. He also published a blog posts related to low birth rate issues in South Korea, solidifying his passion for public policy in the Indo-Pacific and the think tank world!

ELISE BOURMATNOV

Social Media Intern, External Relations Department

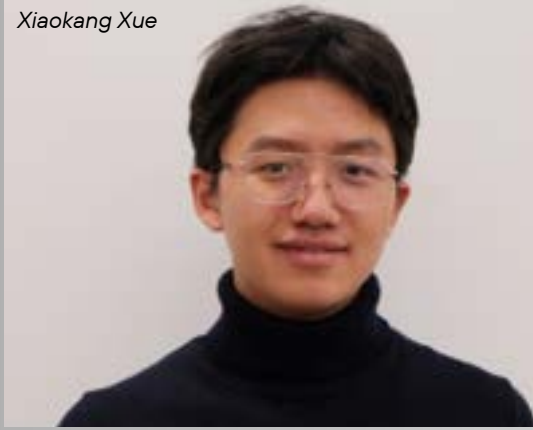
Elise wrote a report examining the Wilson Center's Instagram Reels initiative, then presented her findings to her peers. She analyzed and interpreted data analytics and offered recommendations to improve the Center's social media presence.



ALINA NIAMTSU

Staff Assistant Intern, Kennan Institute

Alina wrote a blog post entitled "Ukraine at the Paris Olympics a Symbol of Hope and Determination" for the Focus Ukraine Blog. The blog post was included in the weekly Wilson Center newsletter and featured by the University of Southern California Center on Public Diplomacy blog.

Xiaokang Xue

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Staff Assistant Intern, China Environment Forum

Xiaokang contributed to several information briefs on topics including food waste policies, methane initiatives, and the Green BRI, supporting various ongoing CEF projects. He also wrote blogs on Chinese renewable investment in sub-Saharan Africa.

CAMILLA REITHERMAN

Staff Assistant Intern, Executive Office

Camilla researched and drafted 6+ Stubborn Things blog posts with Ambassador Green covering current events in Sudan, South Africa, Afghanistan, and more.

Camilla Reitherman*Nayan Seth*

NAYAN SETH

Staff Assistant Intern, China Environment Forum

Despite being in journalism for 15 years, Nayan learned that there's a first time for everything! He worked on multiple grant proposals, wrote original policy blogs and interviewed multiple experts in his area of research. He was also provided with an opportunity to network and make meaningful connections.

DYLAN SIBBITT

Staff Assistant Intern, Indo-Pacific Program

Dylan helped streamline and construct a contact database that filtered potential speakers by affiliation, topics of expertise, and indicated a comprehensive list of past associations with the Wilson Center. As part of this project, he inputted and formatted 200+ contacts from business cards into a database. He also authored a [blog post](#) on US-Indonesia collaboration on and beyond critical minerals — focusing on green energy and a potential free trade agreement — and explored the geopolitical/strategic implications of this collaboration.

Tanner Kimpel



TANNER KIMPEL

Staff Assistant Intern, Wahba Institute for Strategic Competition

Tanner published a [report](#) on US-Vietnam economic ties and co-authored a book review and report on US methane efforts to be published at a later date. He also attended numerous external meetings at the State Department, with Senate staff, and a U.S. International Development Finance Corporation event.

SAMANTHA DEVIN

Staff Assistant Intern, Programs Office

Samantha specialized in collecting 2024 global elections data and creating infographics from the findings. She also revised program one-pagers, and presented a policy recommendation.

Samantha Devin



George Tang



GEORGE TANG

Staff Assistant Intern, Science Technology Innovation Program

George crafted a blog post about the US-India Tech Relationship Collaboration. It is currently in the final review stage.

AMANDA GONZÁLEZ MEJÍA

Staff Assistant Intern, Latin America Program

Amanda collaborated on publications through the creation of databanks, weekly infographics for "La Semanita," and an article on female entrepreneurs in Latin America's digital economy. She contributed to grant writing for LAP's "Latin America Sustainable Agriculture Initiative" in collaboration with CEF and ECSP. She also managed social media coordination and contributed to the "Weekly Asado" with regional analysis, including reactions to the [Venezuela elections](#).

Amanda González Mejía



ERIC MÁRQUEZ MARTÍNEZ

Staff Assistant Intern, Mexico Institute

Eric authored a chapter on Mexico's water insecurity in a booklet of recommendations for Mexico's next president. He had the opportunity to publicly present it at the panel AI Governance in Latin America: The Case of Mexico. Eric also contributed to a collaborative report with COMEXI on the root causes of migration. Finally, Eric completed a summary of the Tenth Annual Building a Competitive US-Mexico Border Conference.



Mexican Senator Xochitl Galvez (left) and Eric Martínez (right)



Adjo Evonlah

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Staff Assistant Intern, Scholars & Academic Relations

Adjo helped coordinate the fabulous events the Internships Office pulled off this semester. She also conducted a comprehensive report on the internship program in which she assessed its current state, identified opportunities for improvement, and suggested several recommendations for the future of the program. She accomplished this by analyzing survey data from several semesters. She also adapted this report into a presentation which she gave at the inaugural Intern Showcase!

MARISSA HARROLD

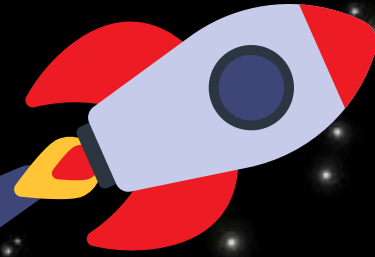
Staff Assistant Intern, Korea Center

Marissa supported numerous Korea Center events, including the US-ROK Congressional Masterclass and the special roundtable "One Year Later: The Path Forward for US-ROK-Japan Trilateral Relations." She also assisted the launch of the inaugural US-ROK NextGen Leadership Program. Marissa collaborated with her fellow interns on a weekly newsletter on current events in the Korean Peninsula. Her blog article "Doctors on Strike: Why are South Korea's Government and Medical Community at Odds?" will be published on the Asia Dispatches blog.



From right to left: Marissa Harrold, Sebastian Garcia (Intern), Kayla Orta (Director), Yohan Moon (Intern), Myung-Hye Cho (Junior Scholar)

WHAT'S NEXT?

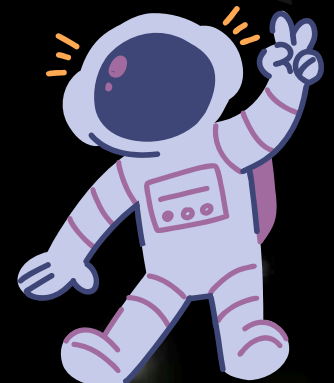


“Staying connected with the friends I’ve made during my time here, as well as finishing two publications for my program.”

“Attending Master of Science in Foreign Service (MSFS) Program at Georgetown.”

“Finish my undergraduate degree at George Washington University, going abroad this semester.”

Wilson Center Interns are out of this world!





The Wilson Center hosts research assistant and staff assistant interns in the Spring, Summer, and Fall semesters.

For details, visit our website or contact internship program coordinator Claudia Del Pozo (claudia.delpozo@wilsoncenter.org)



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