

Want to become part of the InterDom Experience?

InterDom is THE leading internship and academic study program for the Dominican Republic. It is part the Global Foundation for Democracy and Development (GFDD) and la Fundación Global Democracia y Desarrollo (FUNGLODE)'s commitment to fostering collaboration across nations and encouraging research and academic exchange within the Caribbean.

InterDom facilitates all areas of academic, cultural, scientific and technological exchange between students and universities and NGO, public and private sector professionals.

The flexibility of the program ensures that InterDom not only benefits university students who are looking to learn more about the Caribbean region, but also serves as a forum for professionals and academics who wish to share ideas and work together to identify similar goals in a variety of fields.

Through our vast network of contacts, students can research specific projects for their studies and receive vocational support from assigned supervisors during their internships.

InterDom also offers specialized language and academic courses exclusive to program participants. Through our agreements with international universities, awarded credits can be co-validated and transferred to your educational establishment. Students who successfully complete the program are awarded with a certificate and a full evaluation of their performance by their supervisors.

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InterDom Students Summer 2007:
Katherine Pindar (Pace University) Dan Lyons (Fordham University), Heilyn Paulino (Brown College) and Denise Nolasco (Baruch College).

Advantages of International Internships

Dominican companies are eager to offer opportunities to international talents such as yourselves. Your innovative approach and ability to confront challenges within the workplace is not only beneficial to you as a professional but it also creates a very positive impact for the company. This is especially significant in a country where the concept of professional and in-house training is constantly adapting and having to reinvent itself.

Although you may not realize it, when a company receives an intern into its working environment, it is also accepting a commitment to you as a professional. As a student, you have a lot to offer. For starters, you can give a company a new perspective. An outsider's opinion sometimes can be very perceptive and add a new dimension to the way an organization may view its policies and procedures.

All InterDom students are selected for being independent, free-thinking and pro-active. This means that we expect you to seek to gain the most from your experience. We will do our best to facilitate your networking opportunities while you are in the Dominican Republic so you have to chance to meet leading specialists from your field of study. InterDom is also a fantastic opportunity to gain lasting, international experience and forge ties with professionals from an array of professional fields.

InterDom Courses

InterDom offers specialized courses exclusive to the program. Credits can be validated with your school back home and lessons are taught by leading academics.

From January to May and September to December you can participate in regular classes with other Dominican students at the country's leading academic institution, Iberoamerican University (UNIBE). Check what's HOT for the summer:

Contemporary Caribbean Culture

In this seminar, students will participate in discussions about the history and cultures of the Hispanic Caribbean. Participants will explore topics ranging from Colonial History to Contemporary Caribbean Pop Culture to assess the fictional and real elements that constitute our modern idea of the Caribbean. Class materials include music, movies, presentations and excursions.

Spanish Crash Course

This is an intermediate language course that will give students the necessary tools to succeed in the Spanish language. Students will work on their vocabulary and participate in debates.

DR-CAFTA

This is a graduate seminar that will train students on the most important aspects of this momentous free-trade agreement between the U.S. and the Dominican Republic. It has been designed and will be conducted by one of the official negotiators. Other members of the D.R. team will give special talks. The class textbook (*Las Negociaciones del DR-CAFTA*) was written by another member of the team and will give participants the opportunity to evaluate and learn important negotiating techniques.

1st Dominican Student Conference @ Yale University.

<http://www.dominicanstudentconference.com/>

The event will take place on April 27 – 29 2007 and has been organized by the Dominican Student Association of Yale University. InterDom will be presenting its internship and academic study program to students from all over the United States with the aim to encourage the intellectual and professional development of interns both nationally and internationally.

OVERLEAF: TOP Dominican Organizations

Got a project or idea? interdom@globalfoundationdd.org



A group of students from CUNY – Baruch College have been selected to participate in the InteRDom Summer Program 2007. They will look at ways of improving and reforming the level of education in the Dominican Republic. Stay tuned for the results.



Edward D. Gonzalez-Acosta was born in Cabrera, Dominican Republic. He is doing his PHD in Political Science at the New School for Social Research (NY). For his research through June 2007 to December 2008, he is focusing on the political impact of remittances.

An InteRDom student says...

Full story at www.globalfoundationdd.org/interdom



"I worked with the United Nations Association of the Dominican Republic and with the Center for National Commercial Business.

At the UNA – DR, I met people from all different backgrounds and assisted with C.I.L.A., the International Conference of the Americas, which united over 2000 young students to do a simulation of the United Nations. At C.N.N.C., I also worked on negotiations between the D.R and Mercosur and the D. R. and Taiwan." *Arisleyda Dilone. St. John's University New York, ROME campus.*

Some of the organizations that have shown continued support and are collaborating with InteRDom in 2007

Banking:

Asociación la Nacional, Banco Popular

Jimenez Cruz Peña (lawyers)

Construction:

INCA (Industrias Nacionales CxA)

ODEBRECHT (the largest engineering and construction company in Latin America)

Ports/Shipping:

Sans Souci Ports

Telecommunications:

CODETEL- CLARO

Insurance:

Seguros Universal

Tourism/Catering:

Grupo Punta Cana

Hard Rock Café, Santo Domingo

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Journalism:

Listín Diario (National Dominican Newspaper)

Media Team - Clave Digital (National Dominican Newspaper)

Various:

Grupo León Jiménez

Mercasid

Pinturas Popular

Law:

National Law School (Escuela Nacional de la Judicatura)

Participating Universities in the Dominican Republic:

Universidad Iberoamericana (UNIBE), Universidad APEC, PUCMM/UCMM, Technological Institute of Santo Domingo (INTEC)

Participating Embassies/Cultural Centers in the Dominican Republic:

American Chamber of Commerce, British Chamber of Commerce, Casa de Teatro (Cultural Center), Centro Cultural León, Franklin Center, French Embassy, French Alliance, Rancho Campeche (Ecological Ranch), U.S. Embassy (Fulbright Scholars)

Government Organizations: Center for Export and Investment, Dominican Republic (CEI-RD), Consejo Nacional de Competitividad, Dominican Chancellery, National Commission for Commercial Negotiations (CNNC), Secretary of State for Public Health.

Non Governmental Organizations: Alianza ONG, National Office for European Development Funds (ONFED), United Nations Development Program (UNDP), Program for Disaster Prevention and Disaster Preparation (UNDP/ONFED), Small Grants Program (UNDP), United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW), United Nations Association for the Dominican Republic (UNA-RD), Organization of American States (OAS), World Vision.

Internships: an Effective Response in Adjusting to Supply and Demand in the Workplace.

In March 2007, InteRDom held an annual review which aimed to raise awareness and create debate regarding the importance of in-house training and internships for Dominican organizations and companies.

This year's conference kick-started a series of seminars aimed at offering support to companies, organizations and universities looking to benefit from the professional skills offered by Dominican and international students. The initiative intends to create a national debate regarding Human Resources Management in the Dominican Republic and hopes that

participating organizations will make the most out of the advantages of receiving an intern, such as reducing company costs and learning to adjust to new talents in the marketplace.

The Global Foundation for Democracy and Development (GFDD), la Fundación Global Democracia y Desarrollo (FUNGLODE), the Association of Human Resources (ADOARH) and the Iberoamerican University (UNIBE) presented the InteRDom conference with international internship specialist Julio Parra (Chile) and local experts Nafta Chain and Martha Lantigua.

VOLUNTEER Nov 14 – 18 2007



Volunteering with the Dominican Republic Global Film Festival is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Interact with DRGFF staff, filmmakers, sponsors, press and the community.

We're looking for seriously dedicated individuals to work at the festival's production office and theaters. You must be 21 years or older and have experience in any of the following fields: Biligual Interpreters (English, Spanish, French), Translators (English, Spanish, French), Press, Publicity, Graphic/Web Design, Marketing, Event Organization and Logistics, Public Relations, Photography, Community Outreach. **Apply at <http://www.drglobalfilmfestival.org/>**



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PROACTIVE leaders: Key People to Approach. Small business and interns.

INTERVIEW: Karina Guaba – HR Manager. Punta Cana Group.