UC DAVIS STUDY ABROAD SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

NEW ZEALAND – AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON

Areas are subject to change based on organizational needs and availability.

PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK

Child, Youth, and Family Center
Working with hundreds of social service providers, these centers strive to help families by teaching skills required in order to find their own solutions. Work alongside staff to assist in organizing various support services for young people and their parents to help them build their foundation for a successful future. Responsibilities can vary greatly depending on current projects of the organization.

Psychology Research
Gain research experience in a top-ranked psychology department in New Zealand with focuses in several areas of psychology. Assist with research, publications, studies and administration of cutting edge projects. Past placements include: The School of Psychology at Victoria University of Wellington

Faith-Based Community Development
Internships opportunities include working with a faith-based Māori youth and community development organization or a bible-based community development organization. Work with young people to support their families and communities in different training programs, organize and manage food drives, assist in providing recovery services and other administrative tasks. Past placements include: Te Ora Hou and the Salvation Army

Advocate for Rural Women
Interns will have the opportunity to gain experience in rural population research including the development and review of rural assessment tools, legislation on rural areas, parliamentary and select committee meetings and aid with current issues regarding rural issues such as rural crime and policy, and general administrative duties.

Addiction Services
Learn about New Zealand’s mental health system and services. Gain experience in the mental health and addiction services field through working with mental health policy, disability workforce development or assist with events and services.

Source: ISA
Sample Internship Placements in New Zealand

**Anxiety New Zealand Trust,** Auckland, New Zealand
Anxiety New Zealand is a non-profit that runs treatment programs for those in crisis. They organize psychological assessments, support groups, workshops, as well as provide funding and 24/7 helpline support for those affected by anxiety.

**Matua Raki,** Wellington, New Zealand
Matua Raki works to provide evidence-based workforce development solutions and support to ensure New Zealand addiction services are effective and welcoming. Their vision is for a highly skilled, confident and competent addiction workforce which, supported by a sound infrastructure, will provide accessible and effective services which minimise addiction-related harm and improve health for people with addiction problems and their families and whānau.

**New Zealand Society of Authors,** Auckland, New Zealand
NZSA is a not-for-profit organization, which acts as the principal representative for the professional interests of writers. They protect basic rights to freedom of expression, work to improve income and conditions, promote New Zealand writing and literary culture. They organize professional development programs, offer awards, as well as research grants.

**Odyssey House,** Auckland, New Zealand
Odyssey House treats New Zealand adults and adolescents with serious substance abuse, gambling, and other associated problems. The intern will provide support to young people within the residential program. There will be supported opportunities for direct work with youth and by participation in therapeutic group work.

**Recreate NZ,** Auckland, New Zealand
Since 2002 Recreate NZ has been providing outstanding social and recreational services to the disability community of Auckland. From cycling the Otago Central Trail to a night out for dinner and a movie, they have something for everyone. With four exciting programme streams consisting of ten different programme types ranging from ½ day to 6 days in length, they have plenty of opportunities for all to enjoy.

**Te Puni Kokiri,** Wellington, New Zealand
Te Puni Kōkiri, the Ministry of Māori Development, is the Crown’s principal adviser on Crown-Māori relationships. They guide Māori public policy and advise the government on policy affecting Māori well-being and development.

**Thrive, Auckland, New Zealand**
Thrive offers support services to teen mums dads who are either expecting their first child or are already new parents. Thrive aims to provide a full service where expectant teen parents-to-be can be given information on teen-centred pregnancy and parenting programmes and offer intensive social support (if eligible) with experienced social workers and case workers. Thrive regularly runs groups for young mums and young dads, aimed at fostering and strengthening social connectedness, cohesion and to reduce social isolation.