# CRCC Asia Parent & Guardian Guide

At CRCC Asia we are committed to providing your child a safe, professional, and exciting internship abroad. After more than 10 years of experience in our field, we are confident that your child's international internship will set them up for success.



## What are the career benefits?

Professional development and transferable skills are extremely important tools for your child in the competitive job market that awaits them. While a majority of schools find their students prepared for the workforce, only 40% of businesses agree with them. With this skill gap it is more important than ever for your child to gain the work experience they need to feel confident and prepared in displaying their competence to potential employers. CRCC Asia emphasizes professional development in all of our programs and we firmly believe your child will graduate the program more employable, confident, and technically skilled.

#### **Resume/CV Building**

At the end of the internship your child will be able to include several new hard skills on their resume, as well as articulate clearly the soft skills they accumulated. We provide resume building workshops after the internship completion to aid your child in this process.

#### Sector-Related Experience

By applying to any one of our 14 available sectors your child will get first-hand experience in fields they are interested in pursuing in the future, providing them both the clarity and experience employers seek. Our interns are regularly placed in their first choice of sector.

### **Project-Based Work**

During their internship your child will work with an English-speaking advisor and given project-based assignments to complete to give them tangible examples of completed tasks within the field.

#### Access to an Alumni Network

Alumni of the program will automatically be connected with CRCC Asia's alumni network 7,500+ professionals strong. Global connections and networking with their peers will allow them to start their career with a firm foundation of support.

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# What are the benefits of going abroad?

#### 1. Cross-Cultural Ability

As we are deep within the age of instant-communication and global interconnectedness, workplaces are focusing increasingly on globalized and intercultural work environments. Many employers want to see that employees have knowledge of foreign countries and the agility to work competently in cross-cultural situations.

#### 2. Independance

When your child is finished with orientation and beginning to settle into their new home they will find themselves learning a new kind of independence required of living abroad. We aim to support your child so that they can be comfortable and confident travelling, shopping, and exploring an exciting new city.

#### 3. Increased Employability

It is no secret that increasing professional skills increases employability, but so too does time spent abroad. Spending anywhere from 4 to 12 weeks abroad speaks volumes about your child's initiative to improve themselves and work outside their comfort zones. Employers love to see that a student is adaptable and brave, but also willing to continue to learn.

#### 4. Foreign Language Skills

As the icing on top, travelling abroad provides your child the opportunity to increase their foreign language skills and competency. Frequently, countries in the Asia-Pacific region outpace other regions for the amount of secondary languages spoken. As customer-facing services are increasingly global, it is important for primary English speakers to grow their competency with foreign language.

# How We Support Your Child

At CRCC Asia we firmly believe we offer your child the most comprehensive support possible. We recognize that this experience may at times seem overwhelming, so we aim to build a strong foundation through our staff, program content, and itinerary that allows your child to excel.

## Services

- Visa Application and Processing Support
- Comprehensive Pre-departure Information
- Airport Pick-Up and Transportation
- Initial Orientation and Welcome Meal
- Social, Cultural, Business, and Networking Events
- Resume/CV Building Support
- 24/7 On-the-Ground Team

## Communication

As part of our service, your child will be given a local SIM card upon arrival in order to stay in contact with team, fellow participants, and enable international communication in order to contact family or friends.

As a parent or guardian, we will provide you with the details of the accommodation, host company, and CRCC Asia contact numbers in case of any emergencies. Should an emergency occur, local authorities as well as our on-the-ground team will be your child's first point of contact. From there, we will promptly and effectively communicate with you details pertaining to the event.



## Health & Safety

Your child's health and safety is our first priority while they embark on our program. We build our programs around the facilitation of your student's comfort and health and have several systems in place to provide them exceptional service.

- 1. Designated bilingual Program Manager whose express purpose is aiding you child with questions about their intern experience, facilitating efficient communication with our remote team, as well as being local responders in case of emergency.
  - 2. Mandatory Travel Insurance requirement for the duration of the program. Read more here.
    - 3. Notification upon arrival when your child has arrived safely and started our program.
  - 4. You will receive contact details of the accommodation, host company, and the on-the-ground team.
  - 5. A Weekly check-in will be conducted between the designated Program Manager and your child to ensure welfare and placement satisfaction

Be sure your child checks with their healthcare provider prior to departure about continuing prescriptions, as well as necessary vaccinations and medication! Visit <u>this</u> <u>link</u> for more details.

# How You Can Support Your Child

## Help Them Plan Ahead

When your child has been accepted to the program it is important to diligently plan ahead. Please ensure your student has booked their flights and sent a copy of their flight itinerary through to the team at least two weeks before their Program Start Date. More flight information can be found <u>here</u>.

Please be aware that during Induction Week, especially the first 24 hours, it may be difficult to contact your child. They will be moving in, setting up their phone with our provided SIM card, and may not have a lot of spare time. Consider time differences may also limit available communication for the duration.

## Upon Their Return

With your child's arrival home, they may experience a case of re-entry shock in which reverse-culture shock is experienced due to an extended period abroad. Many students find it helps them to stay engaged with the country they just visited, whether it be via language courses, local clubs and associations, or study abroad programs.

We also encourage you help your child reflect on their experience. Many times during the experience it can be hard to keep track or recognize the hard and soft skills they developed. Asking questions and discussing their experience can help your student pinpoint the areas in which they have improved their professional skills and allows them to practice relaying this information in preparation for future interview experiences.

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# Program Cost and Funding

## Our program prices can be found <u>on our website</u>.

We believe earning the trust of our participants is key to their experience. The chart below illustrates a breakdown of the approximate costs and inclusions of our programs. We practice full transparency with the pricing of our programs because we recognize that there are many variables involved in choosing which locations and programs to embark on. You want your son or daughter to be responsible with their time and effort, and we want you to be excited and confident in your child's choice to work with CRCC Asia.



While living abroad the interns will be responsible for the day to day expenses for meals, activities, and any trips or exploration they embark on. Every program location has a different cost of living that they may not be used to, and we encourage your child to budget accordingly.

Keep in mind that many universities offer a variety of scholarship and grant opportunities to students who study abroad. Remind your child to contact their relevant Study Abroad Office to search for opportunities.

## **Payment Process**



Upon program acceptance, our initial payment (Acceptance Fee) of \$500 is due. This guarantees your son or daughter a place on any future CRCC Asia program. Depending on the program they have selected, there is a Program Fee. Please see <u>here</u>. 50% of the Program Fee is due 30 days after the Acceptance Fee. The remaining 50% of the Program Fee is due after your son or daughter has been confirmed at a host company.

CRCC Asia guarantees a placement within your child's three sector preferences. As per our <u>Terms &</u> <u>Conditions</u>, if we are unable to secure a placement you are entitled to a refund.

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# WHAT MAKES CRCC ASIA DIFFERENT?

We know there are a lot of options for students pursuing their interest in travelling and working abroad. This is why we work hard to provide a complete service with unique perks on top of being one of the most affordable options. Our award-winning programs focus on building your child's professional outlook, as well as providing them an enriching experience abroad. As the nature of international internships grows and changes, CRCC Asia too adapts our programs to be even more inclusive, extensive, and relevant.

## We Partner With Government Organizations

<u>Ministry on Foreign Affairs of the State of Israel</u> <u>China Education Association for International Exchange</u>



## 55+ University Partners















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