

# Summer 2023: Research Internship in Vietnam



## Vietnam Quick Facts

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- Americans are treated with extreme hospitality in Vietnam, and with so many English-speaking Vietnamese, the language barrier is quickly eroding.
- Getting around Vietnam is easy.
- Interning in Vietnam will provide you with a rare opportunity to explore a unique, historic, exciting, and rapidly-developing country.

<https://internships.studiesabroad.com/locations/asia/hcmc-vietnam/>

Read about a past UTC student experiences in Vietnam:  
<https://blog.utc.edu/center-global-education/2019/08/16/sleepless-in-saigon/>



## Details about research internship program

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- UTC Faculty Support (UTC faculty in-country): May 25 – June 1, 2023
- Work closely with URaCE (research component)
- Placement organized between student, ISA, and organization in Vietnam
- Placement based on student interest
- Earn 6 credits (will come back and count for UTC credit)
- Internships are *unpaid!*
- **Selection is competitive (up to 5 students), apply early!**



## Need to Know

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- 8-week internship
- 32-40 hours/week
- Internship work will be in English (*you don't need to know Vietnamese!*)
- 6-credits – *will post on UTC transcript, will get a grade, will impact GPA*
- Internship course must be pre-approved for equivalent UTC credit prior to departure
- Visa: Business (DN) Visa (single entry); ISA will provide further details.





## What's Included

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- URaCE support (*before, during, after*)
- Pre-departure support (*UTC + ISA*)
- Multi-day orientation (*in Vietnam*)
- **Housing:** *shared rooms in residencies/apartments in Ho Chi Minh City (w/ kitchen facilities)*
- Academic credit (*6 credits*)
- Welcome + Farewell group meals
- Group pick-up at airport (*on designated program arrival date & arrival window time*)



## Program Excursions

- Cultural activities & excursions, including entry fees & hotel accommodations on overnight excursions
- Enjoy free time to explore Vietnam

Sample of excursions that have run in the past:

- Hoi An and My Son
- Mekong Delta
- Hanoi



## Program Cost

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### Program Dates

May 25 – July 23, 2023

### Program Fee *Estimate*\*:

\$5,125 (In-Country Program Fee)

\*This does NOT include airfare, most meals, transportation to/from internship site, other misc. expenses\*

**UTC App Deadline: 11/11/2022**

**Start your Application [HERE!](#)**

Accepted Student UTC Forms Due: 12/15/2022

ISA App Deadline: 1/15/2023



## Estimated Additional Expenses

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<b>Local Transportation</b>	\$80 - \$120/month
<b>Personal Expenses</b>	\$50 - \$75/week
<b>Airfare</b>	\$1,500
<b>Other Expenses (ex. visa)</b>	\$100
<b>Passport (new/renewal)</b>	\$135/\$110
<b>Meals</b>	\$50 - \$100/week



## Financial Aid + Course Approval Process

### Financial Aid

- You may be able to use your federal + state aid (6 credits f/t in summer, count towards UTC degree requirements)
- Institutional aid
- UTC Tuition

### Course Approvals – completed *prior* to departure

- Course Pre-Approval Form
- Academic Advisor Approval Form
- EXCH placeholders



## Vietnam Research Internship Funding

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### Office of Study Abroad

- Up to 5 scholarships @ \$3,000/each

### Office of URaCE

- For non-business students

### Rollins College of Business

- For Business students

*Accepted applicants will qualify for relevant scholarships (OSA, URaCE, and/or RCOB) **if program requirements are met**. Funding is substantial but will not cover all program costs.*



## Next Steps

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Speak with:

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- **OSA Contact:** Laura Livermore ([laura-livermore@utc.edu](mailto:laura-livermore@utc.edu))

*Be mindful of deadlines.  
Selection is competitive, and spots are  
limited.*





# Questions?

