

Yale Cognition & Development Lab Summer Internship Program: Frequently Asked Questions

How many interns are accepted each year?

The number of interns accepted varies by year, but 5–10 interns are typically accepted.

Is housing provided for students in the internship program?

No. Summer housing, on campus or otherwise, is *not* provided by the lab nor by the University for students participating in our summer internship program. However, we do provide recommendations for finding appropriate housing, and we put accepted interns in touch with each other as potential roommates.

What skills/experience are you looking for?

Previous research experience and experience working or interacting with children is relevant to almost all of our research. Video editing, web development, and programming skills are particularly relevant for work on our online platform.

I have limited previous research experience. Does this hurt my application?

We consider previous research experience as we evaluate the relative strengths of the applications that we receive, but there is no single factor that determines whether an application will be accepted or not. Also keep in mind that we offer our internship program as a learning opportunity for students to expand their research skills.

Is there a minimum GPA required for acceptance into the internship program?

No—no one factor is decisive in our evaluation of applications.

Are international students / non-U.S. citizens able to apply?

Yes. However, all interns must be legally eligible to participate in an

internship program in the United States. CDL may not be prepared to support individuals who require visa sponsorship in order to become legally eligible to participate in our internship. If you are an international student currently studying in the US, then you should check with your international student coordinator regarding options that may be available to you with support from your institution.

I will have completed my bachelor's (or equivalent) degree on or before the start date. Can I still apply?

Yes

What are the dates for the internship program?

For 2019, the internship will last from June 3rd to July 26th. All application materials should be submitted by 11:59pm March 3rd.

I will have a scheduling conflict with the program dates. Can I still apply?

The program dates for our internship program are usually invariable. You are welcome to apply despite your scheduling conflict, but please be aware that your availability will be considered as we evaluate the strength of your application relative to the overall set of applications received.

Is there a stipend offered to summer interns?

A stipend of \$2000 will be provided to accepted applicants.

What if I cannot complete my application before the deadline?

The application deadline is the date after which we begin reading completed applications in earnest. While we will not discard incomplete materials, any delay after the deadline reduces the likelihood that your application will be reviewed.