

Spring 2025 Research Assistant Internships

[Institute for China-America Studies \(Washington, D.C.\)](#)

The Institute for China-America Studies is seeking two research assistant interns for Spring 2025! The internship will run from mid-January through mid-May. *This is a part-time, 20 hour per week internship that will primarily be conducted in-person at the ICAS office in Washington, D.C.*

Competitive candidates will have an interest in U.S.-China relations and are pursuing a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution, though those pursuing a relevant master's degree will also be considered. We are looking for team-oriented problem solvers who can think on their feet, be detail-oriented, and are eager to improve their professional skills. Candidates with previous research experience at a think tank or in a similar field are preferred but not necessary. Native-level fluency in English is required and intermediate-level fluency in Mandarin or another foreign language is preferred.

Qualifications and required skills:

- A basic understanding of and appreciation for U.S.-China relations, potentially with a special interest in a related and relevant field
- A fluid navigation of Internet search engines and experience with both primary and secondary resources
- Excellent writing skills and analytical abilities
 - Experience with Microsoft Office & Google Drive operating systems
 - Experience with Adobe products (i.e., Illustrator), MailChimp, and social media programs (i.e., Hootsuite) is appreciated but not required
- Excellent communication, organization, time management and interpersonal skills as well as a strong willingness to further grow professionally

Job duties will include the following, but are not limited to:

- Co-leading the research and publication of select ICAS newsletters under the direction of ICAS staff
- Conducting primary and secondary research in support of scholarly research agendas under the direction of ICAS staff
- Generating original writing in the forms of Commentaries or Blog Posts
- Assisting with event planning and setup, as needed
- Assisting with minor administrative duties, including publishing content on the ICAS website and proofreading, as needed
- Engaging with social media projects on Twitter and LinkedIn

Benefits:

This is an excellent opportunity for young or upcoming professionals interested in U.S.-China relations. For interns who work in-person, we offer a small stipend at the successful conclusion of the internship to cover daily travel costs and selected candidates will also have access to our scholars and network. We offer all ICAS research interns the opportunity to co-author with our scholars and also encourage staff-guided solo publications focusing on relevant topics in U.S.-China relations.

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, and a 2-5 page writing sample as a single PDF [using the form on the ICAS Website](#) no later than January 17, 2025.

Questions about the internship can be submitted to Research Associate & Administrative Officer Yilun Zhang at administration@chinaus-icas.org.