FFIPP Internship Program 2019

Conditions of Participation

1 Codes of Conduct

Please note that there are a number of key FFIPP policies by which all interns must abide by during their entire stay. Failure to follow any of these policies may result in being required to withdraw from the program.

1. FFIPP interns are subject to the laws of Israel and the laws that govern the Occupied Territories and they must obey these laws at all times. It is the responsibility of the interns to familiarize him/herself with these laws.
2. Interns must follow instructions of FFIPP’s coordinators at all times. In case there are any problems or concerns, the first point of contact for the interns are the FFIPP coordinators.
3. Interns should respect the beliefs and political views of the other participants, host organizations, their colleagues, and the local population;
4. We expect that all interns will demonstrate an understanding and acceptance of FFIPP’s organisational policies and administrative procedures as well as those of the organisations with which FFIPP works;
5. Interns are under no circumstances allowed to leave the territory outside of Israel/West Bank (e.g. Jordan or Gaza) during the program (7 July - 11 August) without explicit permission from the FFIPP Europe board. Doing so may lead to direct withdrawal from the program.

2 Required Participation

- FFIPP organises a preparation weekend in France before the start of the summer program, probably in mid-June. During the summer program, there will be an orientation week, break weekend and final weekend. Upon return around October, there is kick-off weekend in France.
- FFIPP arranges a placement for you at an organisation/NGO in Israel or the West bank for the duration of your participation in the program;
- Your participation in the Summer Program will begin on the first day of orientation and end on the last day of the program > from July 7th to August 11th 2019;
- Your free days/weekends will be determined by the organization you are interning at.

3 Safety

- FFIPP will attempt to secure the safety of the interns as much as possible. To do so, interns are required to strictly follow all safety protocols and instructions;
- FFIPP interns must have a valid passport, with an expiry date at least 6 months after the final day of your participation in the program (or your last proposed day in Palestine/Israel);
- FFIPP cannot replace or reimburse you for personal belongings lost or stolen at any time, even if they are in FFIPP’s keeping. Please check your insurance policy to confirm whether or not loss/theft of personal belongings is covered;
- Due to security reasons, always inform the FFIPP coordinators if you plan to not spend the night at your accommodation (a short message on Facebook or Whatsapp will suffice);
- Do not engage in activism, protests, demonstrations and the like during the entire internship program. Involvement may threaten your own safety, the safety of the group and the future of the internship program and activities of FFIPP. It may lead to imprisonment, revocation of your visa and a legal order of the authorities to leave the country;
- Refrain from having contact with the military e.g. do not approach or take photos of them.

3 Health and insurance

- All participants are expected to have their own travel, accidents and health insurance policy. Read the policy carefully and be aware what is covered under the plan and what is not;
- FFIPP interns must provide proof of medical insurance cover for the entire contract period, which should cover the Occupied Palestinian Territories as well;
- FFIPP interns should communicate any major health issues to the FFIPP board and coordinators;
- Interns should be aware that health expenditures are most likely required to be paid to the hospital in advance after which it can be reimbursed with the insurance company;
- The intern is responsible for any expenditures that are not covered by your insurance.

4 Flight, entrance and departure

- The intern has knowledge of the fact that the (airport) security is very strict and he/she may be subjected to intensive interrogation and other security procedures upon entering or leaving Palestine/Israel;
- FFIPP provides all support possible in terms of security preparation and your arrival, but is not responsible for problems that occur upon entering or leaving Palestine/Israel;
- The intern is obliged to communicate his expected date and time of arrival and is obliged to get in touch with the FFIPP coordinators as soon as possible upon arrival.

5 Responsibilities towards your internship and the local population

- Fulfil all responsibilities to your host organization. If you disagree with any policy or requirement of the organization, inform the FFIPP coordinators to work out a solution;
You are fully expected to complete the internship program. Any participant who does not conduct him or herself or fulfil his or her responsibilities to the satisfaction of the organization may be asked to withdraw from the program before the ending date;

Respect the local standards of dress and personal appearance. If you are unsure of what is considered appropriate, ask your colleagues or the coordinators;

Maintain a high level of cultural awareness. Sexual relationships are your own business, but should be kept discrete. In the West Bank, religion and morality do not approve unmarried relationships. LGBT issues are taboo within the Palestinian society and conservative Jewish communities and your conduct may influence both your reception in the local population and your personal security. Excessive drinking is considered inappropriate and not permitted.

6 Liability Waiver

The intern has knowledge of the fact that the internship program takes place in a conflict area and in a politically unstable environment, in which armed activities can erupt;

The intern acknowledges that FFIPP does not have control over political events in Palestine/Israel. Events may occur both before arrival in Palestine/Israel and during the program that could prevent interns from working at their organizations. FFIPP reserves the sole right to make the decision of discontinuing the program;

The intern acknowledges that should political events cause the cancellation of the program, either before departure or during the term in Palestine/Israel, FFIPP is not responsible for any financial loss incurred by the interns.

7 Costs and refund policies

All costs FFIPP already made for bookings and organisational arrangements will be for the intern in case of cancellation after the 15th of May 2019;

FFIPP does not cover any charges for passport or documents, visas, the cost of immunisations, excess baggage charges or personal expenses of any kind;

Whereas accommodation is provided throughout the entire program, FFIPP does not cover the costs of commuting between your accommodation and the organization where you intern;

In case the board of FFIPP Europe decides on the expulsion of an intern from the programme, any additional expenses that arise from leaving the program (e.g. cost of transportation to a city or accommodation) are the responsibility of the intern.