



HANDS International

American Academy of Jordan (AAJ) Internship Summer 2019

Dates:

Team Preparation: March 30, April 20, May 25, and June 29-30
Practicum: July 1 – Aug 10

Supervision:

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<p>Covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing, fully furnished • Meals (breakfast & lunch) • In country transportation • In country travel • All training, prep & certifications • Visa reimbursement (\$50) • HANDS Int'l Travel Support 	<p>Costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flight to Jordan (TBD approx. \$1600) • Evening or choice Meals (\$200) • Time: 1 week prep & training 5 weeks in Jordan • *Israel Trip - \$400 <p><i>*Optional, deadline @ May 25th Training</i></p>
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HANDS International (HI) is a nonprofit educational and humanitarian aid organization based out of Fort Worth, TX. HI provides Teacher Professional Development Credits as authorized under Texas Education Agency. HANDS has been helping to set up, organize, and provide training, coaching, and support for international schools, religious schools, orphan care, as well as collaborating with ministries of education across the globe needing a 'hand.' Under the direction of Tonya Chancey Lincoln, HANDS International has expanded to networking professional volunteers with the skills that are needed, to equip individuals and places of need, and connecting those who possess the resources needed to complete educational tasks with excellence using a disciple-ship model. In country work and partnerships have included, but are not limited to Bulgaria, Russia, Kenya, Uganda, Nigeria, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Iraq, UAE, Jordan, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Thailand, Indonesia, and 20+ more.

American Academy of Jordan (AAJ) is a registered International School with the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. AAJ follows all required tenets and is in good standing with the Ministry of Education and the accrediting agency via the British Counsel. AAJ serves the city of Al Zarqa providing high quality English education servicing Muslim and Christian families. With a multi-cultural staff including 15+ Americans, AAJ brings unique opportunity, exposure, and perspective to their conservative community of over 1.3 million. Under the leadership of Pastor Nabil El Far, AAJ started with 35 students and in seven years has developed into a KG-10 school of 600+ and growing adding a level of secondary each year with a 2020 projection of KG-12 AdvancEd Accredited.

Summer 2019, HI is partnering with AAJ to provide college students a unique summer internship. Tonya, the international programs coordinator with HANDS International, and Pastor Nabil a Palestinian Christian pastor in Al Zarqa and the director of AAJ are partnering for a phenomenal experience that has the potential to radically change the lives interns that participate, as well as the children and families that will be the benefactors of their experience. In addition to making the AAJ summer camp for the children of Zarqa a spectacular educational and whole-person development experience, the intention and expectation is to see the HI AAJ Internship provide an invaluable experience for college students. For those interested in intercultural intelligence, global affairs, diplomacy, missiology, education, leadership, Middle Eastern culture and anthropology. HANDS International provides high quality training with certifications and materials from partnered organizations such as: KnowledgeWorkx, TBRI, UNESCO, QTEL, Perspectives.org, Boystown, John Maxwell Leadershift, SPARK, and Monday.com.

Training & Practicum: Using a 5-prong approach combining unique education and preparation from a team of internationally traveled and trained teachers, professors, and professionals, students will engage in a life-changing 6-week internship program.

One week of training and preparation in the US that includes, but is not limited to the following:

1. Intercultural Intelligence (perspective)
2. Leadership Training (development)
3. Child Development (theory)
4. Educational Pedagogy (practice)
5. World-Travel (self-care)

The accumulative one-week of training (designed for 5 separate individual training days) will be followed with a 5-week practicum, on-ground in Al Zarqa, Jordan designed to provide meaningful engagement and a plethora of experiences that will utilize and develop Leadership skills, an understanding of the local culture, language and religion, hands-on engagement via interaction with local children, parents, professionals, alongside local Muslim and Christian teachers. Students will gain an understanding of the local school system and techniques used in Jordan, and participate in the decision making of leading and implementing multi-cultural programs using brain-based engagement activities with children. Interns will work with various age groups kg-8, high-school volunteers, parents, school partners, and community-engagements while supported by a talented and trained American and Jordanian support team on-ground.

Additionally, Interns experience life-changing weekend excursions to historical and Holy sites across Jordan, from Petra, to the Dead Sea, and Wadi Rum just to name a few. This year we will be offering an optional end of summer 2-4 day tour of Israel for those who are interested. Due to the ease of location and pre-established connections, this additional \$300-\$400 excursion will be at the cost of the Interns, but an opportunity few will want to miss.

Special Position Opportunities: Two interns, among those interested in International Education, will be given an opportunity to be chosen for a side project working directly with Tonya Lincoln and Fatima Alfatawa. Madam Fatima, is a Muslim Woman from a prominent family in Jordan who is the director of International Education for Jordan and the current interim Minister of Education. During this time, the 2 interns will be meeting with the Prime Minister of Jordan as well as with Sherif El Taweel the Middle East and African director for AdvancEd Academics one of the predominantly used American accrediting agencies for k-12 American international schools. The goal is to conduct interviews, join think tanks and use critical thinking with the latest international education research and large-scale standardized tests to problem solve infrastructure issues, teacher development issues, and current educational practices nation-wide in such a diversely populated country. These positions will be determined at the May 25th training and will require an additional two days of preparation commitment.