



## APPLY NOW FOR A RESEARCH INTERNSHIP AT THE OECD

in the Science and Technology Policy (STP) Division  
at the OECD Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)

### The internship opportunity

- Where: In the OECD's Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation.
- When: 3-6 months between November 2024 and June 2025.
- Why: Join a fun team to work with, take over challenging tasks and make relevant contributions to OECD work, grow a network for your future career, help countries designing science, technology and innovation policies to create economic and social value added.
- Location: On-site in Paris or remote.
- Contribution to living expenses: EUR 1 000 per full month worked.
- Deadline: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and have to reach us around 2 months ahead of the preferred start date. Applications before August 30 are preferred.
- How to apply: Please send an email indicating the period in which you could be available, attaching a CV and an example of recent academic work in English, preferably not co-authored (e.g. a term paper or a write-up for a Python/R project), to [STIPolicy.data@oecd.org](mailto:STIPolicy.data@oecd.org).

### Description

We regularly host motivated postgraduate students (Master's or PhD) with strong analytical backgrounds for research-oriented internships. If you are looking to build and apply your skills in policy analysis and have an interest in understanding how governments support research and innovation activities, the [STIP Data Lab](#) might be the right place for you. The Lab undertakes various types of analysis of qualitative and quantitative data on national STIP trends, providing analytical inputs to OECD and European Commission (EC) projects and examining topics of interest for government officials. The main data sources for the Lab are freely available via the [STIP Compass portal](#), a joint initiative of the EC and the OECD supporting the continuous monitoring and analysis of countries' STI policies.

### Who can apply?

Internships are primarily allocated to [OECD member country](#) nationals and are open for students who:

- Have knowledge and skills in these areas:
  - innovation economics
  - policy analysis
  - data science
  - information systems
  - candidates with other backgrounds are also invited to apply
- Are enrolled in a full-time graduate degree programme (Master's or PhD) for the duration of the internship.
- Are available for a minimum period of three months (four- to six-month duration is preferred);
- Have an excellent command of English and good drafting and communication skills;
- Possess solid analytical skills, with experience using statistical software packages (e.g. Python or R) being a plus;
- Enjoy working in a multicultural and international team environment.

### What do interns do?

Interns work closely with a team of experienced economists and policy analysts, who are committed to ensuring the internship is a highly formative experience. Interns are expected to author one or more "data stories", i.e. short pieces optimised for the web that synthesise their work and main findings. Examples of recent and ongoing work entrusted to interns include:

- Using large language models to query and synthesise policy data
- Building domain-specific datasets and portals in collaboration with government officials (e.g. on net zero policies).
- Surveying research and innovation policies managed by international organisations (e.g. World Bank, UN agencies).
- Mapping and comparing policy mixes across countries.