



OFFICE OF DENMARK'S TECH AMBASSADOR

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Do you dream about unicorns and killer robots? Wake up with blockchain or augmented reality on your mind? Do you want to immerse yourself in the world's leading start-up ecosystem? Pick some of the quirkiest tech brains? Help shape future foreign policy and prepare Danish society for the arrival of new technologies? And not least work closely with partners in Denmark and abroad to find solutions to the global challenges of the 21st Century?

Then we offer a unique opportunity:

We are looking for **two highly energetic, creative and tech-savvy interns** to join the Danish Tech Ambassador and his newly established team in Silicon Valley, California. You will help spearhead the efforts to make digital and technological developments a strategic priority across Denmark's Foreign Policy, our foreign service and our network of representations around the world.

The 6-month internship runs from August 1st 2018 until January 31 2019. **Please apply by 1st of March 2018 at techamb@um.dk.**

Read further below – and follow us on social media to see what we do!

Nb. The tattoo is not (necessarily..) one of the benefits we offer 😊



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WHAT IS TECHPLOMACY?

In 2017 the Danish government decided to launch a new foreign policy initiative elevating technology and digitalisation to a key foreign policy priority. Digitalization or the so-called fourth industrial revolution brings with it fundamental changes to economies and societies worldwide. For Denmark, as for many other countries, this creates huge opportunities but also challenges: How do you best promote Danish interests in a world where global tech companies outweigh the GDP of many nation states? What role does governance, regulation and multilateral institutions play in a rapid digital world? How will technological readiness define future winners and losers on a global scale?

As part of the Foreign Ministry, the Office of the Danish Tech Ambassador is working to promote Danish interests and collaborate closely with other Danish ministries, companies and institutions in this digital revolution. Based in Silicon Valley, California, but with a global mandate and a team that also sits in Copenhagen and Beijing, the Tech Ambassador spearheads efforts to build stronger relations and high-level dialogue with the global tech sector – from tech giants such as Google, Facebook, Apple, Amazon and Alibaba to smaller start-ups, world-class universities and researchers, civil society and NGOs, and cities and regions that have insights and experience in this field.

Denmark is the first country in the world to appoint a Tech Ambassador. It is a new foreign policy area - not just for Denmark but for all countries. Like technology, we aim to transcend borders, slightly disruption the traditional notion of diplomacy in the process.

WHO ARE YOU?

We are looking for two new interns to help bring diplomacy and foreign policy into the digital reality of the 21st Century.

We expect that you:

- Are energetic, creative and able to think outside-the-box
- Have an academic background and a proven passion for international relations, business, IT, communications or similar areas.
- Have excellent communication skills in Danish and English and are able to think creatively when it comes to reaching our different audiences with key messages.

We offer:

- A unique opportunity to put your mark on Denmark's future TechPlomacy
- Hands-on experience working with innovation in Silicon Valley and around the world
- Insights into Danish foreign policy priorities and diplomacy
- Practical experience working in the Foreign Ministry as well as with other ministries, agencies, business partners, and a range of other stakeholders.
- An opportunity to live and work in Silicon Valley, the world's leading tech ecosystem.



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Your tasks will include (but are not limited to):

- Analyses of current tech trends and their impact on (Danish) society and economy
- Stakeholder mapping and relation-building
- Drafting of reports for a range of stakeholders in Copenhagen
- Identify and elaborate specific initiatives and projects
- Prepare delegation visits at different levels
- Strategic communication, including building our social media presence on multiple channels through content and video production.

The exact tasks will be decided based on the team tasks and the chosen candidates' profiles.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION AND APPLICATION

General conditions and requirements

The internship should ideally constitute an educational component in your Master's degree. The internship must contribute to the student's education and will to the extent possible be structured in a manner that ensures ECTS credit. It will be possible to complete an extensive assignment within an area of interest in order to obtain the required credit commanded by the student's University.

Duration

6-months

Qualifications

The intern must be a Danish citizen or have a prolonged affiliation with Denmark. It is furthermore a prerequisite that the intern is enrolled in a Danish or foreign institution of higher education during the internship. The intern must have finished a Bachelor or similar at university level. Strong English proficiency in both verbal and written language is required along with user level IT skills.

Foreign nationals may be offered an internship provided they have lived in Denmark for a number of years (a minimum of 3-4 years), are enrolled in an education programme at a Danish institution of higher education, and are, at the time of application, living in Denmark.

Financial support, accommodation and health insurance

The internship is unpaid but the mission provides a monthly subsidy (currently DKK 4.000) intended to partially support expenditures in relation to accommodation, health insurance and board. It is possible to remain eligible for SU during the internship according to the applicable rules. Interns also have the opportunity to seek grants from relevant institutions.



Security clearance and contract

Interns must be security cleared prior to the beginning of the internship. The mission will initiate this process as part of the finalisation of the application process.

A contract will be drafted prior to the beginning of the internship.

Application

An application containing a crisp and motivated cover letter, curriculum vitae, a copy of your diploma(s), and any recommendations should be send to techamb@um.dk

The deadline for applying will be the **1st of March 2018 at 12.00 (DK time)**. Chosen applicants will be invited for interviews shortly thereafter as well as a written test.

Further information

Questions regarding the internship, including practicalities, can be directed to Mikael Ekman, Deputy to the Tech Ambassador, by email: mikaek@um.dk.



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