

Bordeaux Internship Programme 2020



Since 2008, Hong Kong has become a wine duty-free port. As Asia's leading wine trading and distribution hub, the wine industry requires many talents in related businesses. To attract young people in Hong Kong to be part of this industry, this wine-related internship programme (the Programme) in Bordeaux, France, seeks to strengthen their knowledge by receiving first-hand training on related subjects and learning about French art and culture.

Established in 2001, Altaya Group (AGIL) started as a wholesale wine business providing services to both trade customers and private clients. The scope now ranges from wine list selection, import and export, wine investment, vineyard management, winery acquisition to retail and online shops. Wine is a lifelong passion which can transform the ordinary to the magical. The pursuit of unforgettable gastronomic experience is what drives AGIL to bring people closer to the best wines and greatest winemakers across the globe.



The purpose of the Programme is to provide 15-20 Hong Kong students an opportunity to receive wine-related education and training. The Programme encourages students from all fields to apply but students from Food & Beverage, Hospitality or Tourism Academic Programmes will be given priority.

The programme serves as a 4 weeks-long internship opportunity, covering:

- (a) One/Two-week course at Bordeaux CCI training centre
- (b) Two/Three-week internship at famous Bordeaux chateaux during harvest



Requirements:

- a) A permanent resident of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- b) Fluency in speaking English is highly preferred
- c) Nomination from your current universities/education institutes
- d) Currently admitted to Hong Kong universities/education institutes undergraduate or postgraduate programmes from the following:
 - Hong Kong University of Science and Technology;
 - The Education University of Hong Kong;
 - The Open University of Hong Kong;
 - City University of Hong Kong;
 - Hong Kong Baptist University;
 - Hong Kong Polytechnic University;
 - Hong Kong Shue Yan University;
 - Lingnan University;
 - The Chinese University of Hong Kong;
 - The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong;
 - The University of Hong Kong; and
 - Vocational Training Council.



Internship Period: September/October 2020* (Four weeks)

**Date of travel will be confirmed by end of Aug 2020, subject to the harvest period in Bordeaux, France.*

Internship Place: 15-20

Application Deadline: 30 April 2020

Selection and Shortlisted Candidates Interview:

Date: 15 May 2020

Time: to be advised

Venue: to be advised

Judging Panel:

- A representative from Altaya Group International Limited
- An officer from The HKSAR Government Commerce and Economic Development Bureau
- A representative from The Consulate of France in Hong Kong
- A representative from Cathay Pacific Airways Limited

Result Announcement: 22 May 2020

Briefing Session:

Successful Candidates are required to attend the compulsory briefing session in which itinerary and content of the Programme will be given out.

Date: end of August 2020, to be confirmed

Time: To be advised

Venue: To be advised

**Application Method:**

To apply, applicant should submit the application form and the documents required via email at bordeauxinternship@altayagroup.com. Applicants can submit the hyperlink of Google Drive or Dropbox if the file size is big.

Your application should include the following,

1. Completed application form;
2. A passport photo (in e-format);
3. A 2 mins self-introduction video (in English, including the reason for joining this Programme; your experience in wine; and how could this experience benefit you in this future);

Note:

1. The Programme is open to full-time students who are aged between 18 to 30 and should be holder of valid Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card, currently admitted to Hong Kong universities/education institutes; and to be nominated by their home university/ education institute.
2. Improper submission or incomplete application will NOT be considered.
3. All the submission after application deadline is not accepted. All the submission and related materials will not be returned and revised.
4. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted thereafter for the arrangement of interviews.
5. Applicants must hold a valid HKSAR or BNO passport with an expiry date at least 6 months after completion of the programme. The original of HKSAR or BNO passport must be presented for verification at the interview.
6. Successful Candidate will require provide copy of the valid HKSAR or BNO passport for travel arrangement.
7. ***An Internship Contract in French (Convention de Stage) will be signed by the Successful Candidate, his/her home university/education institute and the chateau in Bordeaux; as it is required for students taking up an internship in France.***

8. Successful Candidate shall ensure they have good health and physical ability to accommodate the harvest work. AGIL reserves the right to ask the participants to provide proof of good health before departure if necessary.
9. Successful Candidate must complete the whole Internship Programme.
10. Successful Candidates are honor-bound to commit to the Programme once they accept the offer. Deposit will not be refunded to candidates who withdraw from the Programme after they have confirmed to accept the offer.
11. AGIL is granted the copy rights of all materials submitted to use, reproduce and publish for educational and non-profit making purposes.
12. Participants should respect the decision of the judging panel and raise no objection to the judging panel's decision.
13. AGIL reserves the right to alter the details of the internship programme. Should there be any dispute, the decision of AGIL should be final.

Fee and Deposit:

- The Internship is unpaid but sponsored by the organizer.
- The air tickets (Hong Kong-Bordeaux-Hong Kong), accommodation in Bordeaux, basic travel insurance and exchange fee of each successful candidate will be sponsored by the organizer.
- Successful candidates are required to pay a refundable programme fee deposit of HK\$2,000 via cheque and made payable to "Altaya Wines Limited". A full refund of the deposit will be made upon completion of programme, attendance to post-tour activities and submission of programme report.

Activity Report and Sharing Session:

Participants of the Internship are required to submit the activity report within a month upon completion of Programme. The submission should include:

1. A written 100-200 words article (in English) of activity feedback.
2. More than 10pcs of photos taken during the Programme. The size of each photo must not be smaller than 1MB.
3. Successful Candidate will have to join the sharing session and share the learning outcome after the trip.

*Submission may be used by organiser for future publicity.

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