

Internship Placement

Organization:

Sustainable Aquaculture Demonstration and Training Station/Nha Trang University

Address: Nha Trang, Vietnam

Supervisor: Mr. Hung (Lecturer)



1. Location and placement description

Nha Trang is a beautiful coastal area with long and newly developed beach city. Basically, Nha Trang University which 50 yrs old, will be the host. There are 60 Faculty members; 9 with doctors degree and 24 M. Sc. There are 6 Departments. Altogether there are 15 Vietnamese students in Doctoral program (Fresh water and Marine aquaculture) and over 300 B. Sc. and M. Sc. Total student number at the university is about 2,500. The university has also International collaboration with Cambodian Uni. And in Norway (Trondem Univ). There are faculty of Fisheries Economic, Aquaculture, Biotechnology and Environment and University Management. At the moment, there is one PhD student from Bergen and 1 under sand-witched program. Nine books have been published in Vietnamese but need more at least – Asian Level. Three staff for Post-doc are to send to Asian institutions or Norway. Curriculum Development has been applied the idea from Asia Link project.

2. Project Work Description

Interns or students will be contacted and consulted upon receiving their application or letter of interest to develop activities and schedules. In general, the following work and research study can be done:

- Assist in measuring water temperatures and other water quality parameters
- Assist on day to day work at the research laboratory
- Research on testing companies new products
- Assist in stocking, moving and harvesting fish
- Assist in breeding fish and sampling
- Help students and staff practice English for improvement

3. How to get there?

After arriving Tan Son Nhat international airport, Ho Chi Minh city, you can take a train (9-10 hrs) directly to the Nha Trang city or fly to the airport and get taxi ride to the city.

4. Living conditions

The University arranges a guest house or apartment nearby single or to be shared by 2 foreign students. It costs US\$ 50 per month if you live there for at least one month which can be covered by teaching spoken English for few hours of English to the students. If you live there for a shorter period in hotels in the town at a distance of about 5 km, an air-condition room costs US\$ 15 per day. Each meal costs US\$ 1-2 on an average.

5. Climate

The city is located in tropical region but as it is in the coast, weather is pleasant. There are only 2 seasons per year: Dry season from November to April and rainy season from May to October. The average temperature is about 27°C (often occur in April or May) and lowest is about 20°C (occur in December or January). The average rainfall is 1,850mm.

6. Culture:

It is important to respect local culture and traditions. Cover-up dresses are required. Shoes or sandal does not matter but most of the time you will need to walk; therefore, light sport shoes/trainers will be suitable. Dress conservatively; casual clothing is suitable while working at the fish farm - T-shirts, shorts and sandals are appropriate.

7. Host will arrange:

- Dormitory type accommodation at student rate
- Subsidized rate for food wherever possible
- Work space and computer and internet facilities
- Fish, labour and other materials for research, if needed

8. Interns are responsible for the followings:

- International airfare (please check with your University, may have this provision)
- Transportation from and to the airport
- Fees for visa/passport
- Food and drinks (approx. about US\$1/meal)
- Any costs of trips, trainings, and others arranged personally
- Insurance and costs of damages due to personal negligence

9. Miscellaneous

Travel medical kit, light mosquito net, insect repellent, sleeping bag, flash light, umbrella or rain coat, few books, a towel and toiletries. But do not bother if you need to buy them, they are available locally at cheap prices.

Note: you will be paired with students of our local partner institution, as far as possible.

Fotos of the Farm:

