



Middle East Energy Internship – Fall Semester 2017

The Center for Strategic Research (CSR) at the [Institute for National Strategic Studies \(INSS\)](#) at [National Defense University \(NDU\)](#) is seeking a U.S. citizen intern to support the work of its Senior Research Fellow, Dr. Denise Natali.

The selected Intern will work closely with Dr. Natali on the politics of Middle East energy issues. Past projects and on-going research includes: Oil Politics in the Persian Gulf, Turkey as a Regional Energy Hub: Opportunities and Challenges, Energy and Regional Security in the Greater Middle East, Energy Development in the Eastern Mediterranean and Iraq, Implications of the Syrian Crisis on Cross-Border Kurdish Populations and Regional Security, as well as the Kurdish Issue, Oil Politics in Iraq and with the Kurdistan Regional Government.

The selected Intern will assist with event preparation and execution for conferences and workshops attended by U.S. and foreign government officials (including diplomatic corps and military personnel), academia, and think-tanks. He/she also will research issues relative to conferences, prepare summary reports, and assist in other research relative to Iraq and its neighbors. He/she will also serve as an INSS-CSR representative at similar events on Middle Eastern affairs hosted by other institutions in Washington, D.C.

Academic background and/or work experience in Middle Eastern affairs, study and/or work abroad in the region is desirable. Turkish and/or Arabic language proficiency is preferred. U.S. citizenship is required.

INSS is a collection of Department of Defense research centers established in 1984. The mission of the Institute is to conduct research in support of the academic and leader development programs at NDU, and to provide strategic support to the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Unified Combatant Commands.

To apply to the INSS Internship Program, please send a cover letter identifying your specific subject matter areas (or INSS Center/Experts) of interest and related experience, resume, and short writing sample (2-3 pages), addressed to the INSS Dean of Administration and Chief of Staff, also serving as the Internship Program Coordinator, Mr. Donald Mosser, at INSS_Intern_Program@ndu.edu. General questions may also be directed to Mr. Mosser at 202-685-3844 or Mr. Brett Swaney at 202-685-2335.

Application Deadline: July 30, 2017 (applications reviewed on a rolling basis).

Approximate Start Date: September 6, 2017 (flexible)

Approximate End Date: December 30, 2017 (flexible)