



Cruise company offers the ultimate internship



The itinerary for CroisiEurope's intern includes a cruise along the Croatian coast. (CroisiEurope)

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One lucky college student will win a 14-nation travel internship with cruise line.

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Imagine a summer spent cruising the rivers of 14 countries across Europe and Asia. Unless a traveler has very deep pockets, this three-month voyage may sound like a pipe dream. But CroisiEurope will be selecting one lucky college student with standout writing and photography skills for a summer internship opportunity as the river cruise line's "photo reporter."

On board, the intern will be expected to blog about his/her adventures, post photos and collect social media followers on Twitter and Facebook as he/she joins the international crews of 10 ships traveling through France, Austria, Hungary, Slovakia, Switzerland, Germany, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Croatia and Montenegro before continuing on to Vietnam and Cambodia.

The cruise line will cover all travel expenses, and air travel will be provided courtesy of Air France. In addition, the intern will get a stipend of about \$1,820 to cover personal expenses.

"The major benefit to us is that we will be able to reach new audiences and maintain a blog that feels personal," said Lucas Schmitter, director of e-commerce for CroisiEurope and a third-generation member of the company's founding family. "The student will be able to discover new cultures while gaining real-world experience in journalism, building and managing a community on social media and photography."

This is the second time CroisiEurope is running the competition but the first time in North America. To apply, students must be U.S. or Canadian citizens and current undergraduate (rising juniors and seniors only) or graduate students. For complete information about the internship and application process, go to croisieurope.rivercruises.com/croisieurope-photo-tour-internship.

Applications must be submitted by March 22.

Independent and family owned, CroisiEurope is Europe's largest river cruise line, with nearly 50 vessels and an English-speaking crew of more than 700. It is based in Strasbourg, France.



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