CVC INTERNSHIPS

1. Description

With the aim of promoting science and innovation and to encourage research in highly talented young students, the Computer Vision Center hosts the **Computer Vision Center Internship Program** (prize). It is addressed to students, ideally during the last year of their undergraduate studies. The CVC offers these students a research environment that will constitute their first exposure to a research challenge.

Undergraduate students worldwide with excellent academic record are invited to apply for an internship at the CVC. The interns will be guided by CVC researchers and will work in a research project designed to acquire skills in the latest trends in computer vision. Complementary mentoring activities will be provided to allow students to broaden their education and research training.

2. Requirements

2.1. Eligibility

The program is addressed to outstanding students, ideally within the last year of their undergraduate studies. Eligible areas include, but are not restricted to: Computer Science, Engineering, Mathematics and Physics. As a general rule, we expect applicants to fulfill the following requirements:

- To be currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate-level university program (master), or alternatively, to have graduated recently.
- Proficiency in written and spoken English.
- Programming skills including C++, Python, and Deep Learning frameworks (Pytorch, Tensor Flow...).
- Additional skills will be also required for each specific project.

Selection of interns is based on merit and potential, measured in terms of academic records and personal achievements. Proactive attitudes, participation in community activities, and capacity for team-work are also taken into account.

Because of funding regulations, this program is mostly oriented to EU citizens, however outstanding applicants from other nationalities will also be considered.

2.2. Conditions of internships

The internships are offered for a period of 3 months with a full time dedication and are non-renewable. Exceptionally, longer or part-time internships may be considered, and they will be negotiated during the selection process.

Due to the travel restrictions from the COVID-19 pandemic, during 2021 we can only accept candidates already based in EU countries. All the following conditions will always depend on the current situation regarding mobility restrictions, and the CVC reserves its right to cancel the program if travelling is not allowed. For those based in Spain, travel restrictions will refer to the Governments' framework of restrictions.

Selected candidates will receive the following **stipend**:

- All accepted candidates: a gross stipend of 2.000 euros as a prize*.
- If the candidate is not from Barcelona, the CVC will help with the transportation and accommodation expenses up to a maximum of 2000 euros. If transportation tickets and accommodation exceed this amount, the student will have to bear the additional cost (this can be deducted from the stipend).

In accordance to Spanish Tax Law, the prize is taxable according to the candidate's place of residence. In order to know what percentage has to be applied, the selected candidate will have to submit a TRC (Tax Residency Certificate). If the certificate is not submitted, the maximum tax will be applied.

The CVC will not cover additional expenses such as visa applications for non-EU citizens, insurance, etc.

Participation in the **Computer Vision Center Internship Program** does not imply any contractual relationship between the beneficiary and the CVC. If the student, for any reason, voluntarily withdraws or interrupts the program, any unduly received payments must be returned.

In the case that the place of residence of the candidate is outside Spain, and Spain has a bilateral agreement with his/hercountry, it is the candidate's responsibility to inform his/her country's tax agency of the prize.

2.3. What can someone expect as a CVC intern and beyond?

The interns will learn about the research culture in an international and diverse environment with more than 100 researchers from over more than 20 different countries. They will be trained in the current state of the art methodologies related to computer vision at large and will be provided with high performance computing facilities. The students will participate in regular complementary activities (reading groups, seminars, etc.). Due to the industrial ties of the CVC, interns will also learn about technology transfer and innovation. Interns will provide assistance to ongoing projects of the corresponding research line and the center's outreach initiatives. The CVC will explore, provided the proper availability of resources, a continuation track in

the **CVC – Computer Vision Master's Degree Program**, or as research engineer in the Knowledge and Technology Transfer activities. The internship will allow the intern to make new connections that very well might provide professional references for the future career.

3. Application process

All applications shall be submitted exclusively online via **http://www.cvc.uab.es/?page_id=4106**. Required application material shall be uploaded to the application form and must be complete in order to be considered.

Applications will be open until February 28st 2021. During the first half of March 2020, the reviewing committee will evaluate all the applications. Selected candidates will be informed by April 2021.

Internships can start as of April 2021. They are expected to be working at CVC, mainly during the summer months, and in any case should end by December 2021. No internship can start during August.

There is not a fixed number of internships per year, as it will depend on the merits of the candidates, but as a reference the CVC aims to host 10 interns per year.

To apply for an internship, suitable candidates are requested to prepare and submit the following document package:

- The candidate's updated Curriculum Vitae.

- Tentative dates of the stay.

- A presentation letter describing the candidate's background, topics or areas of interest at CVC, and future career plans.

- Name and contact details of one potential referee to whom the CVC may require letters of support.

- A scanned copy of your academic transcripts (from your previous and current studies, as far as available), in English, Spanish or Catalan.

4. More information

For more information, please address your comments to: internships@cvc.uab.es