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## **KURSA VIDUSSKOLA**

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Kursa vasaras vidusskola aicina praktikantu; piedāvājam iespējas Izglītības programmā un/vai Administrācijā!



Kursas vasaras vidusskola ir latviešu valodas un kultūras mācību programma Vašingtonas štatā 13 – 18 gadus veciem jauniešiem vai, sākot ar vasaru, no 8. klases līdz 12. klasei. Kursas mērķis ir dot vidusskolas vecuma jauniešiem iespēju apgūt savu latvisko mantojumu, mācoties latviešu valodu, kultūru, tradīcijas un satiekot jaunus draugus. Kursas programmā piedalās gan jaunieši, kuri tekoši runā latviski, gan jaunieši, kuri tikai iesāk mācīties runāt latviski.

Rīta klasēs mācām dažādus priekšmetus, tai skaitā: valoda, vēsture, ģeogrāfija, dziedāšana. Klases ir sadalītas nevis pēc vecuma, bet pēc valodas spējām. Pēcpusdienā ir dažādas nodarbības, no kurām

var izvēlēties – keramika, rotkalšana, māksla, latviskā virtuve. Vēlāk seko tautas dejas, kā arī sports un peldēšana. Vakara nodarbības noslēdz dienu - vai tas būtu danču vakars, karoga spēles, ugunskurs, prāta asināšanas spēles vai dzejas vakars.

2024. gads ir īpaša vasara Kursā! Kursa dibināta 1974. gadā, tāpēc šogad svinam Kursai - 50. No 26. līdz 28. jūlijam būs sabiedriska nedēļas nogale arī viesiem, kurā būs iespēja "Būt kursietim!" uz dažām dienām. Skolotāju vadībā: no ASV - Vilnis Humeyumptewa (tautas dejas) un no Latvijas - Jēkabs Bernāts (dziedāšana) viesiem būs iespēja gan piedalīties dažādās nodarbībās, gan arī deju un mūzikas uzvedumā, tā kopā atzīmējot Kursas 50-to jubileju.



Kursa atrodas netālu no Šeltonas pilsētas Vašingtonas štatā (Shelton, WA) un ir bijusi šajā teritorijā, latviešu īpašumā, kopš 1983. gada. Tagad to dēvē par "Rietum- krasta latviešu izglītības centru" jeb RKLIC. Nometne atrodas priežu un egļu meža ieskaucā gleznainā apvidū, kur sākas Olimpijas pussalas kalni, pusstundas brauc- ienā uz ziemeļiem no Olympia, Washington un nedaudz vairāk kā stundas braucienā no Klusā okeāna.

Aicinām praksē Kursā, kur apgūsiet dziļāku ieskatu un pieredzi latviešu vasaras skolu un nometnes ikdienas darbībā, kā arī prasmes plašāku pasākumu rīkošanā!

Piedāvājam prakses iespējas Izglītībā un/vai Administrācijā. Prakses laikā ir iespēja paplašināt izpratni un prasmes par vasaras skolu mācību programmu un izglīto- jošu nodarbību sagatavošanu. Administrācijā būs iespējams iegūt zināšanas komu- nikācijās un pasākumu organizēšanā, kā arī ar pieredzi plašāku sarīkojumu rīkošanā, organizējot Kursas 50 gadu jubilejas pasākumu. Ļoti piemērota pozīcija tiem, kam interesē jauniešu audzināšana un izglītība un kā to var veicināt dažādās jomās.

Prakses darbā ietilpst dažādas iespējas, sadale būs nosacīta pēc praktikanta zināšanām, pieredzes un interesēm:

Izglītībā: interešu grupu līdzvadība, sevišķi keramikā vai rotkalšanā.

Mācību plānu un materiālu sagatavošana, prakse studijā ar materiāliem, jauniešu apmācība ar dažādām metodēm praksē, kursu vadīšana nedēļas garumā (nodarbību laiks ar jauniešiem katru dienu ir līdz divām stundām). Darbnīcas kārtības uzturēšana.

Izglītībā: interesentiem iespējams rīta mācībās palīdzēt kā skolotāju asistentiem ("Teacher's assistant"), piemēram, latviešu valodā un literatūrā vai vēsturē.

Administrācijā: asistēšana **Kursa 50** pasākumu organizēšanā, loģistikas un komunikācijas jautājumos – gan plānojot, gan arī svinību norises laikā.

Administrācijā: asistēšana Kursas komunikācijas jautājumu un grafiskā dizaina jautājumos. Informācijas sagatavošana izziņām sociālajos medijos (Instagram, Facebook, un YouTube); asistēšana ar citiem birojā saistītiem darbiem.

Precīzs darba grafiks katru nedēļu būs sastādīts atkarībā no skolas mācību programmas un *Kursa 50* pasākumu grafiku.

Citi parametri:

- Pieteikties var no 21. g. vecuma
- Naktsmājas un ēdināšana Kursā ir segtas; dzīvošana būs kopmītnēs ar citiem Kursas darbiniekiem, skolotājām/iem.

Galvenā pieredze, ko iegūsi Kursā:

- Mācību un nodarbību plānošana un pasniegšana;
- pasākumu rīkošana un realizēšana;
- sociālie mediji un mārketingš; programmu plānošana un administrēšana;
- komandas darbs un kopienu veidošana!

Lai uzzinātu vairāk par Kursu, lūdzu skatīt: [kursa.org](http://kursa.org).





## **EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA** **TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

2306 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC  
<https://www.mfa.gov.lv/usa>



### **Public diplomacy – Communication - Information and policy analysis.**

Intern will assist the Embassy's public diplomacy initiatives, and will be involved in developing social media campaigns, communication strategies, as well as planning/organizing cultural events. The intern will follow and be asked to provide summaries of relevant think-tank discussions on a range of political and economic topics. The intern will be asked to contribute ideas and support preparations for Latvia's campaign to be elected to the United Nations Security Council in 2025. The intern may also be tasked with analyzing and following news reports that concern or are of interest to Latvia, and support the Embassy in communicating with local journalists. Additionally, the intern will be asked to support diplomats in day-to-day work on various political and economic issues.

Timeline: June 7 – October 31 (*depending on intern's availability and security clearance*)  
Internship should be 160 consecutive hours during this timeline.

Location: Preferably in-person at the Embassy of Latvia in Washington D.C. with the flexibility to work-from-home certain days of the week. The possibility of a fully virtual internship will also be considered.

**Language: Latvian would be helpful, but this internship can be offered fully in English.**

**MUST HAVE LATVIAN CITIZENSHIP.**

**Security Clearance from Latvian authorities will be required.** The Embassy will assist selected applicants.

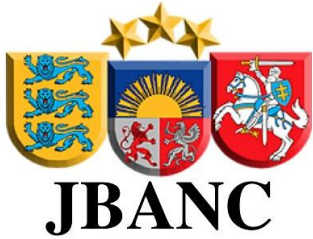
COVID vaccination requirements: Required.



*Māris Selga*

*Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Latvia to the United States of America.*





## **JOINT BALTIC AMERICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, INC.**

400 Hurley Ave., Rockville, MD

Website: <https://jbanc.org>

Established in 1961, JBANC has represented the Baltic-American communities and its three parent organizations, the American Latvian Association, the Estonian American National Council, and the Lithuanian American Council. Our goal has been to help coordinate their activities in Washington, DC with the U.S. Congress and administration and its related agencies in conjunction with issues related to Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. We have taken great pride in over half a century in joint Baltic cooperation and in being able to help coordinate and consolidate our common interests.

### **Grassroots Outreach - Engagement with Congress, think tanks and policy makers - social media - Data analysis and reporting.**



The intern will assist with maintaining and developing new contacts with grassroots activists, congressional offices, and other key persons and institutions. This includes database management. A daily responsibility is analysis of news, events, congressional actions, and other relevant issues. There will be much focus on social media and public relations platforms, involving composing daily online posts, and writing short reports and summaries of issues that we follow. Writing and publishing skills are also important for editing monthly newsletters and in researching for larger projects.

Timeframe: June 5 – August 31

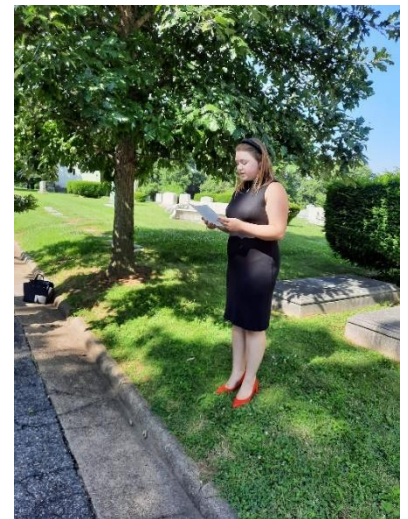
Internship should be 160 consecutive hours during this timeline.

Location: In-person. JBANC office in Rockville, MD (virtual on occasion).

**Language: Some Latvian would be helpful, but this internship can be offered entirely in English.**

*2022 JBANC Intern Lija Lysis reading Welles declaration at Sumner Welles memorial.*

*The **Welles Declaration** was a diplomatic statement issued on July 23, 1940, by Sumner Welles, the acting US Secretary of State, condemning the June 1940 occupation by the Soviet army of the three Baltic countries – Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania – and refusing to diplomatically recognize their subsequent annexation into the Soviet Union.*





## LATVIAN CENTER GAREZERS

www.garezers.org

Garezers prospers as a meeting place for Latvians of all ages, to raise and educate Latvian youth, to strengthen the Latvian language, culture and spiritual values, to promote the Latvian heritage and develop links with Latvia.



### **Marketing – Communication – social media**

The intern will assist with all Garezers media content, which will include: weekly stories and updates on Garezers social media sites with photographs, short paragraph and photographs to be submitted to a Latvian newspaper “Laiks” weekly. Content will include stories about camp life, upcoming events, interest stories and fundraising efforts.

Timeframe: June 18 – August 6.

Internship should be 160 consecutive hours during this timeline

Location: In person. Garezers main office, Three Rivers MI; in-person.

**Language: Ability to speak and write in Latvian. Help will be provided for written texts.**



Garezers

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**Field(s)/Department(s): Marketing and Design, Website content management, Social Media management.**

Description of duties: The intern will assist various work group teams and board members as needed and specifically with LF brand product design and marketing, updating content in the LF website, social media management and other marketing efforts. The intern will have a chance to contribute to all of these projects by providing ideas, research, analysis and support. The intern will also work closely with the team to help develop and refine the social media strategy. The ideal candidate is creative, tech savvy and interested in providing ideas to the team.

Possible timeframe (*internship should be 8 consecutive weeks during this timeframe*): May 15 - August 15, 2023.

Location: Virtual, but presence and availability at the Toronto Song Festival a plus. We have board members in Boston, New York City, Hamilton (Canada), Chicago, Seattle and Portland, Oregon. Proximity to one of these locations could be advantages for some in-person sessions, but not required.

**In Latvian or English: Written and oral Latvian proficiency is required. Support will be provided for written text.**

Any special requirements: None - but experience or interest in working with nonprofits, design, marketing and communication a plus.

Mentor/supervisor: Renate Kenney (President), and possible other board members, depending on initiative.

The Latvian Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation Latvian education, culture, and identity.

*Board of Directors  
Latviešu Fonds*





## **LATVIAN AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (LACC)**

www.LatvianChamber.com

The Mission of the Chamber is to promote its members' business interests, facilitate networking and the exchange of knowledge among its members and partners, and foster trade and investment between Latvia and the United States.

### **Business Event Planning and Organization - Social Media and Communication Business Prospect – Grant Funding Research**



The intern will assist various work group teams, Regional Directors and board members as needed. Specifically, LACC has embarked on several 2024 strategic initiatives, including Member Recruitment and Retention & Social Media/Communication Enhancement.

The LACC will need the intern to help prepare for the 2025 Spotlight Latvia event as well as the series of web-based "Mini Spotlights" throughout 2024. These events host business, economic and political leaders from the US and Latvia from a number of industries, representing a unique networking opportunity with some of the most successful Latvians in the world.

Timeframe: 10 hours per week for June 1st – August 15th.

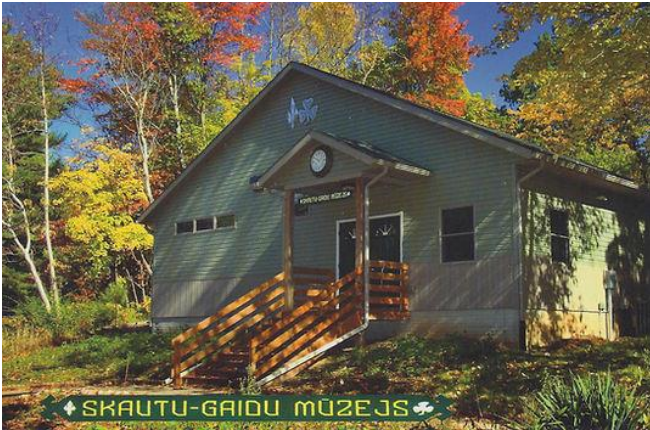
Location: Virtual, although preferably in either Boston or one of the other cities with a current LACC Board member (Minneapolis, Denver, San Diego, San Francisco, Kansas City, Chicago); proximity to one of these locations would be helpful.

**Language: Latvian would be helpful, but the common language of the LACC is English.**

*President of Latvia Edgars Rinkēvičs and Foreign Minister of Latvia Krišjānis Kariņš at "Spotlight Latvia" September 22, 2023, Boston.*







The Latvian Scout and Girl Guides museum is located in the Latvian Center Garezers. Founded in 1989 as a non-profit organization whose mission is to collect, organize and display the Latvian scouting heritage.

### Museum Curation

The intern will help to collate an inventory list of materials in the museum, help with changing out displays, and work on digitizing invaluable documents in the museum. The intern will serve as a guide for visitors to the museum and provide tours for the youth attending the Garezers Latvian camp. The intern may also help with the maintenance of the virtual museum housed on Facebook and the scouting website. There will be opportunity to interact with the high school attendees and staff as well.

Timeframe: June 25 – August 6

Internship should be 160 consecutive hours during this timeline.

Location: In person. Latvian Camp Garezers, Three Rivers, MI.

**Language: Latvian would be helpful, but not required.**

