



EXPERIENCE INTERNATIONAL

J-1 EXCHANGE VISITOR WINE PROGRAM

***Start your career soaring with an internship or
hands-on training experience in the USA!***

Who is eligible?

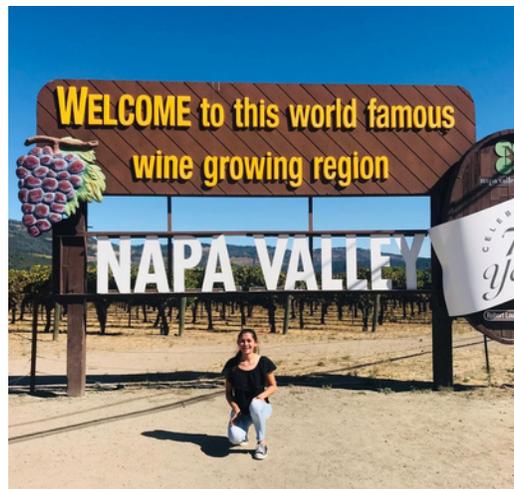
- Students and graduates of viticulture/enology programs with at least one vintage experience
- Wine professionals with at least five years experience in the wine industry

When do I start?

Begin in Aug./Sept. and work until vintage ends in Oct./Nov./Dec. (depending on location). A few 6-month or one-year placements may be available.

What can I expect?

An outstanding experience working in one of the world's best winemaking regions. Washington, Oregon, and California wineries and winemakers are recognized internationally for their award-winning wines. Placements vary from cellar work, crush, vineyard, lab, and occasionally marketing. Hourly wage of \$12 to \$20. Housing may be provided or visitor may need to source themselves.



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Washington

With just over 1,000 wineries, 400+ grape growers, and 60,000+ acres of wine grapes, Washington State is the 2nd largest wine producing state in the U.S.. There is an annual total in-state economic impact of more than \$8B, and Washington produces over 17M cases of wine. Viticulture in the state is also influenced by long sunlight hours (on average, one more hour a day than in California during the growing season). With over 1,000 wineries, producing over 80 varietals, 400 grape growers, and 60,000 acres, Washington State wineries and vineyards offer great training and exposure to world class wines. Washington State adds an average of four new wineries per month, and the industry is ever growing and changing.

<http://www.washingtonwine.org/>



Oregon

Oregon is a place where winemakers are stewards of the land; where quality reigns, sustainability is a lifestyle and where artisan producers believe that careful attention to detail and delicate nurturing produce incredible wines. In just 40 years Oregon has evolved into a world-class wine growing state with 995 wineries, 1,370 vineyards, and 40,000 planted acres producing wine from over 100 grape varieties. Home to the first B Corp certified winery in the world, Oregon will always be a place where small, handcrafted wines reign, where collaboration and community are key, and where the growers and winemakers are never far away from the tasting room. Varieties include Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, Chardonnay, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Riesling, among others.

<http://oregonwine.org/Home/>



California

California's wonderful year-round weather is as good for the wine as it is for visitors. Abundant sunshine ensures a consistent and long grape growing season, while the diversity of terroir supports a multitude of wine grape varieties and surprising flavor variation within them. California's 1,300 kilometers (800 miles) of rugged coastline expose nearby vineyards to natural "air conditioning" in the form of fog and breezes, making for exceptional Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, and other cool climate varieties. California has over 635,000 acres of wine grapes with 81% of the wine made in the U.S. comes from the state. At least 242 million cases are produced with over a retail value of over \$43 billion per year.

<http://www.discovercaliforniawines.com/>