

Summer 2009 Global Health Fellows Program FAQs

1. Will there be compensation for this internship?

Yes. Undergraduate students will receive \$11/hour; graduate students (master level) will receive \$13/hour, and graduate (doctoral) students will receive \$15/hour. Mid-career changers (individuals currently in the US domestic workforce for a minimum of seven years) will receive \$15/hour regardless of post-secondary educational attainment.

2. What does the internship application entail?

To apply for a GHFP internship, you will need to create an online user profile which will include the following:

1. Resume or CV (formatted in Word or PDF; Times New Roman 12 point font)
2. A brief bio statement (limited to 150 words)
3. Your contact information, education, and technical skills

Additionally, you will be asked to answer three general questions related to your background and one question specific to the internship for which you are applying. Responses are limited to 250 words each.

3. When will the internship start?

The summer 2009 internship placement activities will begin May 22 and run for a minimum of 12 weeks. For those students on a quarter schedule, their start dates will be adjusted accordingly.

4. What does the security clearance entail?

Only applicants invited to participate in the internship program will undergo the security clearance process. GHFP's Facility Security Officer will walk each prospective intern through the security clearance process, including the online application and fingerprinting. Note that the security application requires the applicant to account for activities – including every job and place of residence – dating back 7 years from the time of application. Final acceptance into the internship is contingent upon successfully obtaining a security clearance in a reasonable time frame.

5. Who will be my supervisor?

GHFP's Deputy Director for Recruitment, Outreach, and Special Initiatives will supervise all interns for the program. At the assignment level, interns will have an onsite manager tasked with guiding day-to-day activities as outlined in the position announcements. Interns will be expected to participate in the activities of their division as well as the GHFP Internship Program-wide activities.

6. In addition to the specific activities listed in the announcement, what else might I do?

The GHFP Internship Program is designed to provide individuals with exposure to and meaningful experience with the US Agency for International Development's health portfolio. In addition to the specific activities listed in the announcement, interns will:

- Participate in sessions lead by GHFP university partners Harvard School of Public Health and Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine;
- Receive individualized career and resume counseling;
- Participate in professional development sessions focusing on topics such as influencing, team building, management, etc.;
- Present their work at the conclusion of the internship in group and individual

format and;

- Attend USAID and GHFP brown bag presentations and lectures offered by the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

7. Is housing provided as part of the internship?

Housing is not provided. Since Washington, DC is home base for many summer interns, there is a large selection of shared housing options. To assist you with your search, take a look at the links below. Please note that openings go quickly.

www.washingtoncitypaper.com/

<http://washingtondc.craigslist.org/>

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

Local universities (Howard, American, Catholic, Georgetown, George Washington, etc.) also offer dormitory space in the summer for interns. Contact the school directly for more information.