

Child Nutrition Program Internship Opportunity

ANNOUNCEMENT

Holt International's Child Nutrition Program is actively recruiting a highly skilled and passionate graduate student to join our team. This unpaid internship experience will provide an opportunity to learn more about international development and programs, while assisting with project development, supporting program resources, and analyzing and interpreting a robust data set of child health information for a highly specialized population of children living within orphan and foster care systems in 7 countries. In addition, it will provide an opportunity to actively learn and participate in a high-functioning, 60 year old, international child welfare non-profit organization that works in 13 countries.

PURPOSE

Holt International's Child Nutrition Program is a unique data driven training program designed to improve hygiene and sanitation, nutrition, feeding, and health monitoring practices in institutional and foster care to achieve improved child growth and health for children living outside of permanent families. This is a highly vulnerable and unrepresented population in international child health and nutrition programs. Through an intensive training of the trainers and database/health management system Holt has seen dramatic improvement in child health indicators: anemia, stunting, wasting and underweight. We also track morbidities, special needs, feeding practices, diets, supplementation, MUAC, head circumference and other child indicators.

We are looking for a highly motivated individual that is passionate about child health. Interns will be able to work on a large variety of projects including: research, curriculum development, assessment, monitoring and evaluation tool development, data cleaning and analysis, advocacy, and program promotion. We are highly interested in students who want to conduct research with our datasets and upon proposal approval Holt would be willing to co-author academic research publications. Students will have the ability to provide input on program optimization, growth and impact analysis.



PREFERRED SKILLS/EXPERIENCE

Successful applicants will have the following:

- Coursework in areas including; public health, health policy/research, epidemiology, data analysis, nutrition, child development, or project management
- Microsoft Office proficiency
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Data analysis experience
- Interest in researching and analyzing child growth trends, early childhood nutrition, health and feeding practices and children without permanent families
- Some experience writing curriculum and monitoring and evaluation methodologies

SCHEDULE & TIMELINE

This is an unpaid internship. Students are expected to work at Holt International's headquarters in Eugene, OR at least 50% of required service hours, although remote program work is anticipated. Office hours are Monday to Friday 8- 4:30pm at headquarters in Eugene, OR. This internship will be offered for fall and winter term of 2017/2018. Duration of the internship is minimum **3-4 months**. Students interested in long-term research projects can intern with Holt up to 3 school terms. International opportunities may be available with multiple term internships. All pre-placement documentation must be finalized prior to beginning internship with Holt International. Background checks may be required, any associated costs will be covered by Holt International.

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