CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT SUMMER INTERNSHIP AT THE
UNIVERSITY OF GLOBAL HEALTH EQUITY IN KIGALI, RWANDA:

The University of Vermont (UVM), in collaboration with University for Global Health Equity (UGHE) in Rwanda and the Global Health NGO Partners in Health (PIH), is pleased to announce the 2018 call for applications for the UVM-UGHE-PIH Global Health Summer Internship in Rwanda. The internship will take place from June 1-July 31, 2018 in and around Kigali, Rwanda.

APPLICATION MATERIALS DUE: FEBRUARY 16, 2018, 5:00 pm TO SOPHIA.TRIGG@UVM.EDU
LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION DUE: FEBRUARY 19, 2018, 11:59 pm TO SOPHIA.TRIGG@UVM.EDU

History: The UVM-UGHE-PIH Global Health Internship was inaugurated in summer 2017. UVM alum Gabriela Sarriera ('17), who interned in Rwanda while at UVM, initiated the process that led to the creation of the internship. The first intern in the program was Siera Carusone ('18).

Eligibility: To be eligible to apply, one must be a current undergraduate student at the University of Vermont with a graduation date of December 2018 or later. Applicants should be at least 18 years of age and have sophomore standing or higher at the time of application.

Internship Site: The University of Global Health Equity (UGHE) is a new university based in Rwanda that is training the next generation of global health professionals, including doctors, nurses, researchers, veterinarians, and public health and policy experts, to be leaders and change-makers who strive to deliver equitable, quality health services for all. An initiative of Partners In Health (PIH) led by internationally recognized faculty and staff from around the world, UGHE is an independent, accredited university that builds on PIH’s three decades of experience in delivering health services to some of the world’s poorest communities.

Description of Intern Responsibilities: This year’s internship will involve working alongside the Office of the Vice Chancellor (VC) at UGHE. The Office of the VC intern will support the VC team with research, administrative, and educational support as needed. The intern’s primary roles will be to provide support in research and writing initiatives of the VC and the VC team members. Tasks may include, but are not limited to, literature reviews, drafting, coordinating with research teams, and supporting with other research and writing tasks.

UGHE’s Mission: By infusing the best new ideas in higher education and experiential learning, and by partnering with faculty from Harvard Medical School, Johns Hopkins University, Yale University, Tufts University, Rwanda’s Ministry of Health, the Rwanda Biomedical Center, and other institutions, UGHE students receive an education that takes them out of traditional classrooms and equips them to develop evidence-based solutions to real global health challenges. Modeled after a similar program at Harvard Medical School, the Master of Science in Global Health Delivery (MGHD) provides a one-of-a-kind learning experience fundamentally rooted in the principles of global health, One Health, epidemiology, global health policy, management, health finance, and leadership. With a unique focus on practical experiences
outside the classroom, the MGHD program ensures that students understand the complexity of delivering care in all settings. MGHD graduates are government officials developing innovative policies to expand life-saving programs. They are clinicians who diagnose and treat physical and social factors that make their patients sick. They lead programs and NGOs that improve health and save lives.

**Internship Qualifications:**

- Going into Junior or Senior year of Bachelor’s degree, and age of at least 18 years old.
- Proficient in English, with excellent research, writing, and editing skills.
- Flexibility and maturity.
- Demonstrated ability to work well as a member of a team.
- Strong willingness to take initiative and to work nights, weekends, and long hours.
- Track record of meticulous attention to detail.
- Experience in other countries in Africa, or strong interest in living abroad.
- Ability to complete and pass UGHE’s Medical Clearance process.

**Desired Experience:** Competitive applicants will have:

- Completed coursework in education, global health, public health, and/or international development.
- Experience doing research about public and/or global health.
- Experience as a teaching assistant, research assistant, or teaching fellow (preferred).
- Experience with online education and/or MOOCs (preferred).

**To Apply:** Please only apply if you are serious about this opportunity and ready to commit to the position in April if you receive an offer. To apply, please email the following materials to Sophia.Trigg@uvm.edu by the due dates indicated above:

- Application form
- Resume
- Unofficial copy of your academic transcript
- Copy of your passport
- Two letters of recommendation, at least one of which should be from a Professor.

**Decision Process:** Applications and letters of recommendation will be reviewed by UVM’s internship review committee which will select semi-finalists who will be invited to participate in on-campus interviews. On-campus interviews will take place on February 28th; for continued consideration for the internship, semi-finalists must participate in an interview. The UVM committee will choose finalists from those interviewees and send their recommendations to UGHE and PIH which will review applicant materials and make a final decision. Students will be informed of the decision in March or early April, after which they will need to make a decision and move quickly to apply for a visa, secure vaccinations, complete required paperwork, and make the necessary travel arrangements.