Communications Student Internship Opportunity

Organization Description

The Global Center for Integrated Health of Women, Adolescents, and Children (Global WACh) at the UW Department of Global Health aims to make scientific discoveries, cultivate leaders, and bridge disciplines to advance the tightly connected health and well-being of women, adolescents, and children. Global WACh brings together expertise in maternal health from the Department of Obstetrics/Gynecology, neonatal and child health expertise from the Department of Pediatrics, and vast experience working in infectious disease, health metrics and evaluation, education, clinical research, and service delivery within the Department of Global Health. These disciplines combine under a methodology that views women, children, and adolescents as three populations interconnected along a shared life course.

Position Summary

We are seeking a **Communications Student Intern** to support our team over Winter and Spring Quarters 2027. Reporting to the Global WACh Program Manager, the student will take the lead in gathering news, conducting interviews with faculty/staff/students, writing blog posts, and creating social media content related to Global WACh research activities and events. This opportunity is ideal for current UW students in communications, public health, health policy, or related fields seeking to build a professional portfolio in health communications. This is an unpaid position to be registered as a 2-3 credit independent study project (equivalent to 60-90 hours) per quarter. The student is expected to work approximately 5-8 hours per week. The student may explore using this opportunity to fulfill degree requirements for graduation and working with their department advisors to gain approval.

Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate personal written and/or verbal communication skills to help advance public health messaging to the organization's internal and external audiences.
- Help create programs and resources that will transfer these skills to the organization (e.g. assist with development of project communications, team communication practices, website and social media content, data analysis and reporting).

Roles and Responsibilities

- Write and publish blog posts about new grant awards, research milestones, events, and related topics for the Global WACh website.
- Support the preparation of quarterly email newsletters for publication.
- Support the promotion of events through email distribution and printed and digital flyers (e.g. Breakfast with WACh Lecture Series).
- Aid in managing Global WACh's social media presence.
- Other communications-related duties as needed.
- At the end of the internship, the student will present to Global WACh faculty/staff/students about the internship experience, detailing individual learning outcomes, and highlighting related portfolio items developed from the internship.

Qualifications

- Currently enrolled in a UW graduate or undergraduate degree in communications, public health, health policy, or related field.
- Strong written, oral communication, and interpersonal skills.
- Strong time management skills.
- Familiarity with Microsoft Office products.
- Familiarity with social media platforms (Canva, LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter/X, YouTube).
- Interested in global health research as it pertains to women, adolescents, and children.

Application Process

Students must email a resume, cover letter, and a writing sample (e.g. clips of published articles or blogs, media press release, short excerpt from an academic paper) to gwach@uw.edu **by Thursday, November 19th at 11:59 PM.**