



Global Quality Internship 2015

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Application and materials due Monday, March 2, 2015

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Global Quality Internship: The goal of this internship is to support the project leadership of a WHO-ISQua combined initiative focused on guiding and informing the efforts of low and middle income countries in developing national policies and strategy for health care quality. This project is working within the context of health systems strengthening and the pursuit of universal health coverage within constraint of resources. The intern will work directly with Sheila Leatherman, Research Professor in Health Policy and Management, through Ms. Leatherman's role as part of the leadership team for the WHO-ISQua project for National Quality Policy and Strategies in LMICs.

Background

The design, development and execution of national quality policy and strategies is a growing priority worldwide as countries strive to systemically improve the performance of health care systems. Wide scale and reliable improvement of health care quality in lower resourced settings remains a nascent field with critical unmet needs for expertise, content and strategic advice. Across the globe, countries are seeking advice and technical assistance to develop quality strategies.

Objectives of the National Quality Policy and Strategies Project

1. To raise awareness, knowledge, and skills concerning health care quality in LMIC.
2. To provide guidance for development of national health care quality policy and strategic plans.
3. To outline the key processes, and provide tools, for the planning and implementation of national quality strategies.

Possible work streams

1. Situational or gap analysis; what is most needed by LMIC
2. Development of a framework for national quality policy and strategic plans; illustrative sections might include-
 - Priority setting to reduce avoidable mortality and morbidity
 - Resource deployment ; provision of adequate resources and improved efficiency in use of resources
 - Fundamentals for policy formulation and regulation
 - Activities for Improved Service Delivery; safe, effective and patient centered care
 - Health Information systems ; data recording, quality measurement and reporting
 - Building system capacity to continuously improve
 - Governance, leadership and accountability
 - Quality assurance and control Mechanisms
 - Performance Monitoring and Evaluation
3. Implementation strategy; identification of essential tools and processes. Product development to be supported during internship
 - E-Repository of relevant documents; example country-specific quality plans, relevant literature and case studies
 - "how to" documents for developing policy and implementing strategy
 - Country level self-assessment tool

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Please complete this application, then sign and date your “Applicant Certification and Acceptance” statement. **Submit application materials electronically to globalgateway@unc.edu. For hard copies of letters or transcripts, please mail directly to: Gillings Global Gateway™, CB#7400, 104 Rosenau, UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7400.**

Attach the following as a supplement to this application:

- Resume or CV
- 2 Recommendations: 1 from academic advisor/faculty member and 1 from former employer or professional recommendation (can be sent as an email attachment to globalgateway@unc.edu).
- Current unofficial transcript (must be provided directly to Gillings Global Gateway™, no e-mailed copies).

Internship Support

Stipend of \$2,500

15-20 hours a week over 6 months (flexible): exact start date can be negotiated, but targeted for April 1 or earlier

Personal

Last Name	First	Middle	Daytime/Evening Phone Number
Street Address			Email Address
City, State, Zip Code			

Citizenship Status (check one) U.S. Permanent Resident Student Visa; Type

Proof of your identity and eligibility will be required.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (Please Mark “X” in boxes that apply)

Language	Speaking			Reading			Writing			Comprehension		
	Fair	Good	Exc.	Fair	Good	Exc.	Fair	Good	Exc.	Fair	Good	Exc.
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GENERAL EDUCATION

LEVEL	Name and Location of School	Degree Program and Department	No. Years Completed	Did you Graduate?	Degree/Diploma (Year received/anticipated)
High School					
Undergraduate					
Graduate					
Graduate					
Other					

INTERNSHIP APPLICANTS – Please complete the final questions of this application, then sign and date your “Applicant Certification and Acceptance” statement (since you are submitting electronically, type your name onto the signature line).

How do you see this internship fitting in with your career plans? Please limit your answer to 500 words or less.

Summarize your previous research/program experience (domestic and international). Please limit your answer to 500 words or less.

Specify what skills you have that apply to the internship. Please limit your answer to 500 words or less.

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE: I hereby certify that there are no willful misrepresentations, omissions, or falsifications in the statements and answers on this application and accompanying materials. I am aware that the Gillings Global Gateway™ consideration of this application may include an investigation regarding any and all statements and answers made, and I hereby consent to such investigation. I am aware that should an investigation disclose any misrepresentation, omissions, or falsification, my application will be rejected.

Signature: _____ Date: _____