

Zambia Hub – Summer 2020 Student Opportunities

Due: Friday, January 31, 2020

Zambia Hub

To give more focus to the School's global work, we are establishing a small number of geographic hubs to increase students' skills. A consistent presence at particular sites, working with a select group of partners, will allow us to provide quality experiences and deliver on strategic themes to improve public health. For summer 2020, we are pleased to partner with UNC Global Projects Zambia, UNC School of Medicine's Office of Global Health Education and the Institute for Global Health and Infectious Diseases to offer up to seven placement opportunities for **UNC Gillings residential MPH students** and **UNC School of Medicine first year students**. We expect to award up to \$5,000 per student (final amount TBD).

Position title: Engaging partners and families in HIV-focused postnatal care

Number of positions: 1

Short project description: This qualitative, formative research study will examine the feasibility and acceptability of engaging male partners, grandmothers, and other family members to support HIV-positive mothers to practice recommended infant care and feeding practices, and women's continued antiretroviral therapy adherence. Participants will be recruited from health facilities in Lusaka. Data will be collected during a series of three interviews with HIV-positive women, and two interviews with women's male partners or other family members. This qualitative study will use [Trials of Improved Practices](#) methodology.

Roles and responsibilities of student: Activities will take place in Chapel Hill and Lusaka based on project needs and the student's schedule.

- Participate in pretesting interview guides and counseling materials, and finalizing materials for data collection
- Assist with training research staff in standard operating procedures
- Assist with establishing systems for data entry and monitoring data quality
- Participate in daily debriefings with data collectors
- Participate in rapid qualitative data analysis

Expected outputs:

- Final drafts of interview guides and counseling materials
- Quantitative and qualitative data summaries

Skills or experience required:



- Current master's student in Global Health, Health Behavior, Maternal and Child Health, or Nutrition, or related experience
- Proficiency with Excel
- Experience working abroad and in cross-cultural situations
- Interest in HIV prevention, women's and children's health, child nutrition, or early child development
- Must be organized, self-motivated, and able to work independently

In-country supervisor: Stephanie Martin

Location: Lusaka, Zambia and Chapel Hill

Minimum duration (minimum 8 weeks): 10 weeks

How to apply:

If you are applying to multiple positions, please do not apply until you have ALL cover letters written and ready to upload for each position.

1. Fill-out the [online application form](#) and upload the materials below to the form:
 - Cover letter for *each position* you are applying (*If applying to multiple positions, please write a cover letter for each position*)
 - CV/Resume (*If applying to multiple positions, only upload it once*)
2. Faculty Evaluation: Please identify a UNC Gillings faculty member who is able to evaluate you on the specific skills listed in the position description(s) you are applying for. Please tell the faculty member which position(s) you are applying for. *If applying to multiple positions, the faculty member only needs to complete one evaluation form (they will evaluate you for all your positions on one form).*

Send the Faculty Evaluation Form link to the faculty member:

https://unc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cMfN7vun0ORYWdD

Questions?

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