

Zambia Hub – Summer 2020 Student Opportunities

Due: Friday, January 31, 2020

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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: Reducing childhood stunting in Zambia through nutrition interventions

Number of positions: 1

Short project description: Scaling Up Nutrition Learning and Evaluation (SUN LE) is a USAID/Zambia-funded project that provides survey, research, evaluation, and dissemination services to the Government of Zambia's Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) programme, which aims to reduce childhood stunting in Zambia. As part of SUN-LE, UNC is leading a study to assess the readiness of government health facilities and communities to implement nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive interventions. This study will include conducting facility-based inventories of nutrition supplies and equipment, interviews with health care providers, and exit interviews with pregnant women and children under two years of age. In addition, focus group discussions with community health workers and key informant interviews will be conducted.

Roles and responsibilities of student:

- Assist with training research staff in standard operating procedures
- Assist with establishing systems for data entry and monitoring data quality
- Data cleaning and analysis
- Assisting the SUN-LE team with additional data analysis, report writing, and dissemination activities as needed

Expected outputs:

- Cleaned data sets
- Data analysis
- PowerPoint slides summarizing preliminary findings

Skills or experience required:



- Current MPH student with interests in undernutrition, health systems, or implementation research
- Proficiency with Stata
- Experience working abroad and in cross-cultural situations
- Must be organized, self-motivated, and able to work independently

In-country supervisor: Stephanie Martin and Patricia Sakala (Strategic Information Advisor, SUN-LE)

Location: Lusaka, Zambia and Chapel Hill

Minimum duration (minimum 8 weeks): 8 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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