



INTRAHEALTH-UNC SUMMER FELLOWS PROGRAM

ABOUT INTRAHEALTH

At [IntraHealth International](#) we work every day to improve the performance of health workers around the world and strengthen the systems in which they work. We ensure health workers are present where they are needed most, ready with skills and systems to deliver high quality care, connected to information networks that support high performance, and safe to deliver services in environments that promote dignity and equality. A nonprofit organization headquartered in Chapel Hill, NC, IntraHealth partners with governments, the private sector, and civil society to foster sustainable local solutions to health workforce and health care challenges. Over the past 40 years, we have assisted more than 100 countries in strengthening their health workforces and the systems that support them - at all levels and across the continuum of care.

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW

IntraHealth International offers a [summer fellowship program](#) for current public health master's and doctoral students enrolled at the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health. The program is in its 13th year of operation and has engaged [more than 40 fellows](#) over that timeframe. The program is administered by IntraHealth working closely with Research, Innovation and Global Solutions in the Gillings School.

The IntraHealth-UNC Summer Fellows Program provides master's and doctoral students a unique opportunity to contribute to global health as they work directly with IntraHealth's programs. Students gain practical experience in technical areas, monitoring and evaluation, research, and program management and apply the skills they are building in their degree programs.

The Summer Fellows Program is a 10-week program based out of IntraHealth's Chapel Hill office. To facilitate interdisciplinary learning and exchange, the ideal cohort of fellows includes students representing various departments and both master's and doctoral students. Fellows are encouraged to work together throughout the fellowship and to use each other to reflect on ideas, experiences, and learning. Each fellow's assignment is integrated within IntraHealth's work and allows substantive opportunities to collaborate with and learn from IntraHealth staff. In addition, each individual fellow works closely with one or more assigned mentors who help them achieve their program objectives. Working with mentors and within projects allows maximum opportunities to learn about the organization, international nonprofits, and global health. Regular sessions with

IntraHealth leaders are held to facilitate active discussions around current trends impacting international global health organizations. The program concludes with a final reception during which fellows exhibit their work.

WHAT DO FELLOWS SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM?

Past fellows have rated the program as highly effective, allowing them to gain real-world experience in global health and in the workings of international nonprofits. In the words of former fellows:

- *This is an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on experience in global health with an organization that is committed to its vision. Not only was I able to acquire new skills, but I was able to enhance my existing skills.*
- *Overall, I would definitely recommend the fellowship and thought it was a really great opportunity to get to know people across the organization and learn about IntraHealth's work. The team I worked with was very supportive and enjoyable to be a part of!*
- *The fellowship was a wonderful experience for me. It broadened and deepened my understanding of global health and [I] look forward to future opportunities in this field.*

WHAT TYPES OF WORK HAVE PREVIOUS FELLOWS DONE?

Scopes of work vary from year to year based on project and organizational needs. Specific scopes of work are negotiated individually with a mentor with attention to matching the fellow's unique profile with organizational requirements and possibilities. Examples of work completed by fellows over the last several years include:

- Conducting analysis of an existing data set among commercial sex workers in South Sudan.
- Compiling a compendium of IntraHealth digital health initiatives to facilitate enhanced organizational learning and cross-country sharing and adaptation.
- Drafting project reports, blogs, and manuals, including collaborating on a chapter in a book published by the World Bank/World Health Organization on under-recognized cadres of health workers, a critical aspect of addressing human resources for health.
- Contributing to e-learning courses, including review and drafting, and traveling to Kenya to field test materials.
- Piloting a photo-voice project with an HIV Continuum of Care Network in Central America, including developing a Spanish-language field operation manual and responding to questions about the return on investment in expanding the pilot.

More information on past fellows' work can be [found here](#).

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Fellows will:

- Complete a scope of work that contributes toward their degrees and develops their knowledge and expertise regarding IntraHealth's technical expertise, program management, and business processes.
- Demonstrate their knowledge and skills to IntraHealth staff through presentations and discussions and externally through blogs and other publications.
- Contribute to IntraHealth's global knowledge base, which strengthens the effectiveness and impact of the organization's work.

ELIGIBILITY AND BENEFITS

Applicants must be currently enrolled in a master's or doctoral degree program with the Gillings School of Global Public Health and be continuing as a full-time graduate student in the following fall semester at UNC Gillings. The fellowship entails a 40-hour work week (not including holidays) for 10 weeks, from May through July 2022. Each fellow receives a stipend of \$5,000.

Applicants as well as selected fellows must be in good academic standing, based on the following criteria:

- Student may have a combination of H's and P's and no more than one L on their transcript
- No courses with an "Incomplete" status.
- Student is on track to graduate on time.
- Student is not taking a Leave Of Absence as an Applicant or during the expected timeframe of the Fellowship.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications are available on Research, Innovation and Global Solution's website <https://sph.unc.edu/global-health/ggg-internships-and-funding/>. Required materials include an online application form, a resume/CV, current unofficial transcript, and two references. **Applications must be submitted with all required materials by Friday, January 21, 2022 for consideration.**

Applications will be reviewed by a UNC committee and forwarded to IntraHealth. Once IntraHealth receives applicant materials from UNC, all applicants will be invited to rank their interest in the available scopes of work for summer 2022. These interest rankings will be forwarded to project mentors, along with applicant materials, for review. IntraHealth will then extend interview invitations to selected candidates in February, with fellowship offers made by the end of March 2022.