

## Cambridge Global Health Internships

### Objective

**These internships will give Cambridge undergraduates and recent graduates an opportunity to experience firsthand the work of the UN and other international organisations in the area of international health. We aim to place up to ten students in the following organisations next summer: WHO, the Global Fund, GAVI, FIND, the World Economic Forum, GAIN, MMV and UNAIDS. The interns will be mentored throughout their internship by a group of Cambridge alumni living and working in Geneva. These mentors will be available for advice before, during and after the internship. An internship is invaluable for a student considering a career in a supranational organisation and will enable students to start to build a network which is critical for success in this area of work.**

### Principles

Cambridge University Careers Service aims to create an opportunity for undergraduates and recent graduates to familiarise themselves with the working environment of international health organisations in Geneva. This will give Cambridge students an opportunity to gain practical experience and to prepare themselves for their future professional careers.

### Duration

From July to September 2010, Geneva, Switzerland.

### Funding

Interns are responsible to raise their own funds for the program (for travel and accommodation). Interns are eligible to apply for the Cambridge University Careers Service bursaries. Interns are also eligible to apply for travel funds from their colleges. The careers service are looking into additional sources of funds and all interns will be kept update on this.

### Applications

Interested students are encouraged to send a short CV (1 page) and cover letter (1 page) detailing their interest to

[AlisonWalsham@careers.cam.ac.uk](mailto:AlisonWalsham@careers.cam.ac.uk)

**by 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010.** The letter should include (1) how this program fits with your personal and professional goals, (2) the potential sources of funding that you have or to which you will apply, and (3) the Geneva-based organizations with which you would like to intern, according to priority.



### Selection

A selection panel made up of Careers Service staff and members of the Judge Business School non-profit group will be convened. Once selected, interns will be asked to fill out a short skills table so that their skills can be matched to the relevant organisation.

### Visas

Interns are responsible for obtaining the relevant visa documents required for entering and working in Switzerland. Letters of attestation to their acceptance as interns may be provided by the respective organisations to accompany visa applications.

## Accommodation

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Interns are responsible for arranging their own accommodation for the period of the internship. Useful websites are the following:

- Geneva University, French version only:  
<http://www.unige.ch/dase/bulog/form/bourse.php>
- CAGI - Geneva Welcome center: <http://www.cagi.ch/en/services.html>
- WRGFM - Geneva Radio (English)  
<http://www.wrgfm.com/classifieds>
- <http://www.toutimmo.ch/> (Real estate agency – French version only)
- <http://www.asso-etud.unige.ch/cite-uni/logements/accueil.html>  
(University of Geneva webpage with additional addresses etc. – English & French version).
- <http://www.unece.org/oes/internships/Interns-accommodation.pdf>
- Geneva locals website [www.glocals.com](http://www.glocals.com)
- Global fund website  
<http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/employment/geneva/?lang=en>

## Eligibility

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to meet the requirements of the host institutions, candidates must be pursuing a recognised university degree **in any subject**, have completed at least one year, or recently graduated (within 6 months), be medically fit and willing to complete the internship programme.

## Induction

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All interns will be required to attend a short induction programme in Cambridge before they leave. A number of relevant lectures have also been set up for the interns in Cambridge in the Lent and Easter terms. Lectures will also be put on for the interns during the summer in Geneva and they are encouraged to attend these. Interns may find it useful to listen to the podcast on careers in International Global Health <http://www.careers.cam.ac.uk/sectors/fmtp/WHOevent.asp>

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## Mentors

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Mentors and interns will be introduced in the Easter term. The mentor will be a Cambridge graduate working in global health/international affairs in Geneva. It is the responsibility of the intern to arrange to meet the mentor on arrival in Geneva. The mentor will be a good source of advice on future careers as well as living in Geneva.

## Lectures in Cambridge

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Potential interns are encouraged to attend the Global Health seminars at the Judge Business School on 15<sup>th</sup> Jan and 15<sup>th</sup> March. They are also encouraged to attend lectures from the Cambridge University Global Health group [www.cughsi.org](http://www.cughsi.org)



## Feedback

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We will ask mentors, lecturers and interns to fill out a short feedback form at the end of the internship detailing their experience.

## Timeline

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Sept to Dec 2009 source internships and mentors; Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 2010, presentation at “the works”, Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 2010, deadline for students, mid March Judge Business School selection panel, April/May match interns, mentors and hosts, May – interns to look for accommodation in Geneva, June, induction in Cambridge, July – Sept 2010, internships.

## More information

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For more information please contact:

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