

Global Health Research Assistant



Summary:

AMOS Health & Hope is pleased to offer a 5+ month research assistant opportunity to graduate students and upper-level undergraduate students during the summer/fall 2014 semesters. The intern will be able to serve as a research assistant on exciting development projects related to rural community health. This internship offers high-level research experience while gaining a better understanding of AMOS' community-based participatory primary health care approach. The intern would assist in supporting our nutrition program, community doula program, our youth empowerment program, our water and basic sanitation program, and our primary health care program. The global health research skills developed can be applied to future academic and professional careers in international public health. The intern will be supporting the Research and Development Project Manager.

Expected Duration of Applied Position:

- 1 Year

Duties and Responsibilities will include the following:

- Assisting with relevant literature reviews and research
- Assisting in the development of key survey tools such as surveys and focus group scripts
- Data collection in the field possibly supporting our nutrition program, community doula program, our youth empowerment program, our water and basic sanitation program and our primary health care program
- Data analysis and outcomes reporting
- Performing other tasks as assigned by the Research and Development Project Manager
- Where possible, AMOS will ensure interns have the opportunity to participate in topics that are of particular interest to them

Competencies: Values and Interpersonal Competencies

- Models AMOS values and ethical standards

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- Promotes the vision, mission and strategic goals of AMOS
- Displays cultural, gender, religion, and age sensitivity
- Strong interpersonal, teamwork and communication skills
- Capacity to plan, prioritize and deliver tasks on time
- Capacity to engage with national and international staff

Technical Competencies

- Experience with quantitative and qualitative data collection techniques including survey work and focus groups
- Local knowledge and understanding of cultural and socio-political conditions affecting women in Nicaragua would be an advantage
- Interest in water and sanitation and/or nutrition health programming and research
- Experience working with people of diverse backgrounds
- Strong analytical and presentation skills
- Ability to research, analyze and present complex information

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Technical Competencies:

MS Office & Internet research

Required Skills and Experience:

Education Applicants for the Global Health Research Assistant must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate level degree program in public health, gender studies, anthropology, education, nutrition, development studies or other related disciplines.

*Preceptor available for supervision of credits.

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Language:

- S-3 Professional working proficiency or higher. A person at S-3 level is described as follows:
 - Able to speak the language with sufficient structural accuracy and vocabulary to participate effectively in most conversations on practical, social, and professional topics
 - Can discuss particular interests and special fields of competence with reasonable ease
 - Has comprehension which is quite complete for a normal rate of speech
 - Has a general vocabulary which is broad enough that he or she rarely has to grope for a word
 - Has an accent which may be obviously foreign; has a good control of grammar; and whose errors virtually never interfere with understanding and rarely disturb the native speaker

Working Conditions:

- At AMOS headquarters: 48- hour week (Monday – Friday , 7:00am – 4:30pm)
- In the field: At pace of the Supervision/Delegation Team (Usually 7:00am – 6:00pm)

Program Costs:

- Rotation Program and Activities Fee: \$2,000. This fee includes two weeks of transportation to rural communities, fieldwork equipment, preceptor supervision and advising, as well as all administrative support services.
- Participants are responsible for housing and meal costs during their time as a volunteer. AMOS can refer participants to its guesthouse services and host family options.
- *AMOS hopes that everyone interested in our volunteer and internship offerings can participate. Please see our [Funding Your Service with AMOS](#) page for suggestions on sources for outside funding.*
 - Examples of recent work applicable to the assignment (optional)

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Interested applicants should send the following information:

- Completed application form
- Letter of intent that should describe your demonstrated interest or experience related to the internship or volunteer opportunity you are applying to List of references
- Resume
- List of references
- Examples of recent work applicable to the assignment (optional)

For information about the volunteer costs, contact:

volunteer.coordinator@amoshealth.org