

WASH Research & Program Assistant

AMOS Health & Hope
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Program



Summary:

- AMOS Health & Hope offers a 1-year minimum internship for people interested in working alongside Rural Communities of Nicaragua to improve access to clean water through AMOS' WASH (Water, Sanitation, & Hygiene) Program. WASH encompasses not only water filtration, but also increased education and facilities in Sanitation and Hygiene. The program focuses on serving alongside local leaders, who receive ongoing training. The main goal is to reduce cases of diarrhea so babies and families can live healthily. The Research Assistant is key for the development and growth of the program.

Expected Duration of Applied Position:

- 1 year minimum.

Duties and Responsibilities will include the following:

- Supporting with project logistics of installing and supervising water filters.
- Helping to evaluate the successes and improvements needed for each project for continual growth and effectively.
- Support with the training and accompaniment of local leaders.
- Research and support with the development of WASH lessons for leader trainings.
- Research new projects or methods that could be implemented for program enhancement.

Values and Interpersonal Competencies:

- Models AMOS values and ethical standards.
- 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 and volunteers.
- Enthusiastic about the mission of AMOS.

Education and Experience:

- Applicants with BS or BA preferred.
- Experience working overseas.

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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 delegation team (Usually 7:00am – 6:00pm).
- Average of 5 days a month traveling to and living in rural Nicaraguan communities. Most communities have latrines and no electricity.

Program Costs:

- Program and Activities Fee.
- 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.*

Interested applicants should send the following information:

- Completed application form (email us to obtain form).
- Letter of intent that should describe your demonstrated interest or experience related to the internship.
- Updated Resume.
- 3 Letters of Reference.

For information about applying contact:

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