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Internship

The Lancet Commission on Gender and Global Health

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| Organizational Unit | : | United Nations University – International Institute for Global Health (UNU-IIGH) |
| Reference Number | : | 2021/UNU/IIGH/Intern/LCGGH/06 |
| Applications to | : | iigh-internship@unu.edu |
| Closing Date | : | Open until position is filled |

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United Nations University – International Institute for Global Health (UNU-IIGH)

The United Nations University International Institute for Global Health (UNU-IIGH) is one of 14 research and training centres that comprise the UNU system. As a UN think tank, the mission of UNU-IIGH is to build knowledge and capacity for decision-making by UN agencies, programmes, and Member States about global health issues. The aim of UNU-IIGH is to contribute to the development and strengthening of health services policy frameworks and management actions, particularly for people in developing countries, and to support implementation of promotive and preventive approaches to human health. UNU-IIGH's research and capacity building in global health relates specifically to informing the policy debates and directions that ensure that, in keeping with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), "no one is left behind".

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Project description

UNU-IIGH Director, [Pascale Allotey](#), is one of the co-chairs of [the Lancet Commission on Gender and Global Health](#) (LCGGH). The global health system has been aware of the relation between gender and health for decades, and scholarship in the area is widespread. Despite this body of knowledge, however, consideration of gender in global health is neglected. Gender is everywhere in global health discourse and promises, but nowhere in action or accountability plans. This Commission has been set up with the explicit and uncompromising aim to move beyond the evidence to catalyse action. The Commission was borne of a collective and strategic understanding of the need to mobilise individuals and institutions to redress imbalances in the gender–health relationship, producing a politically informed, globally relevant, and intersectional feminist strategy for structural change in global health.

The key tasks of the intern will include:

- 1) Research: Conducting literature reviews (including grey literature) and relevant research to support engagement with young feminist organisations
- 2) Writing: Production of blog posts and other written outputs
- 3) Commission coordination: logistical support and minute taking
- 4) Other tasks as requested by project supervisor or the institute’s Director

Required qualifications and competencies include:

- currently enrolled in, or recently completed, a graduate program (Masters level) in global or public health, health policy, health sciences, medicine, or other related disciplines
- a demonstrated interest in the topics of gender and global / public health or medicine
- a strong ability to establish priorities, multi-task and work within tight timelines
- excellent communication skills, with proficiency in both oral and written English
- good team player with strong interpersonal skills demonstrated by the ability to work in a multicultural, multi-ethnic environment with sensitivity and respect for diversity

Logistics

Internship will last between three (3) months and (6) months; please indicate availability in your application. UNU-IIGH provides a stipend for both in-person and remote interns.

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