INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT Kirby Internship for MPH or PhD Students



Education, Training and Research (ETR), a nonprofit organization, offers science-based health and education research, products and programs providing solutions that work for health professionals, educators and consumers throughout the United States. We employ proven methods that engage individuals, families and communities in eliminating health and educational inequities, managing risk, and making optimal health choices.

ETR sponsors an annual Kirby Summer Internship for graduate students in education, psychology, sociology, public health, epidemiology or a related field, with a focus or interest in sexual and reproductive health. The internship is available in summer 2015. The internship is named after the late Dr. Douglas Kirby, a senior research scientist at ETR, who dedicated his career to promoting sexual and reproductive health among young people through writing, teaching and research.

The internship provides mentored work in research syntheses, prevention programs, implementation science, online learning or research methodology (e.g., measurement and analysis) at ETR's corporate office in Scotts Valley, California, or ETR's Oakland office. ETR intends to identify 1 or 2 candidates for the internship each year.

This unpaid internship opportunity is for 240 hours during the summer. A \$2,500 stipend will be paid for travel and/or living expenses.

SUMMARY: Under the supervision of Senior Researchers, the Kirby Intern will gain:

- Skills in applied research within sexual and reproductive health
- Experience in the paper-writing process (with co-authorship opportunity)
- Practice with oral presentation skills
- Opportunities for collegial interactions in a multi-disciplinary environment
- A certificate of completion, if needed

TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Work on current or planned projects with a sexual and reproductive health emphasis or component. Tasks will vary based on expertise, but could include:
 - Conducting literature searches and summarizing literature on specific topics (e.g., sexually exploited youth, relationships, implementation science, measurement of sexual behaviors).
 - Participating in paper writing on existing data from ETR projects.
 - Conducting secondary analyses using ETR data sets.
 - Creating data visualization and dissemination templates.
 - Developing and/or reviewing program materials on selected topics (such as healthy relationships or blended learning).
 - Working with members of ETR's sexual and reproductive healthcharter group to develop new online courses, webinars or fact sheets.
 - Participating in proposal development activities already underway.
- Participate in an internal "brown bag" series to present research and/or work conducted.
- Create a brief report or data snapshot on the work completed during internship for ETR's newsletter.

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OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- Participate in conducting needs assessment activities to inform creation of new materials related to sexual and reproductive health.
- Contribute to evaluation activities and active data collection if project timelines allow.
- Attendinternal presentations and training events as appropriate.
- Participate in agency and project meetings as appropriate.

ACCOUNTABILITIES:

- Completes tasks accurately, efficiently and within agreed-upon timelines.
- Demonstrates good oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.
- Develops and maintains positive relationships with ETR staff, project partners, funders and the public.
- Keeps supervisor well informed.
- Maintains confidentiality of sensitive information.
- Follows agency policies and procedures.

SPECIFICATIONS:

- Currently enrolled in a masters- or doctoral-level program in education, psychology, sociology, public health, epidemiology or a related field.
- Available to work 240 hours during the summer months (June-September).
- Interest in sexual and reproductive health field, with focus on teen and young adult pregnancy or sexually transmitted infection (STI) prevention.
- Prior experience and/or coursework in sexual and reproductive health area.
- Letter of recommendation from a current faculty member.
- GPA 3.0 or above in current program.
- Ability to prioritize multiple tasks and plan personal schedule.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Ability to adapt to timeline adjustments and reorganize work accordingly.

International students who hold a valid F-1 or J-1 visa may apply. ETR <u>cannot</u> provide assistance to a student in the application or renewal of a Visa.

Deadline: February 28, 2015

Application: Application is available <u>online</u>.

To learn more about ETR Associates go to www.etr.org.

ETR is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
Students of diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply. M/F/V/D