



INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY WITH BUDUDA LEARNING CENTER

Which includes

CHILDREN OF BUDUDA SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM & BUDUDA VOCATIONAL ACADEMY SUMMER 2018

POSITION: Intern (2 positions)

LOCATION: Bududa District, Uganda

DESCRIPTION OF THE HOST ORGANIZATION: The Children of Bududa program is a weekly enrichment program for up to 112 orphans and needy children living in a poor, rural community in Eastern Uganda. The Director, Barbara Wybar, is a Canadian and graduate of McGill, and is part of an international team of voluntary workers, who together with local paid Ugandan workers support and run the project. It is funded entirely from overseas donations (mainly from Canada, the US, and UK), with a significant part of the funding coming from the sponsorship program for the children. Main activities with the children take part on a Saturday, when they attend the project for skills training, academic studies and sporting, social and arts related activities - they can also be seen by a health care assistant. Find out more about the Bududa Learning Center by logging on to <http://bududa.org/>

BUDUDA VOCATIONAL ACADEMY

BVA is a vocational school teaching six vocations: bricklaying, carpentry, tailoring, nursery teacher training, computer skills, and hairdressing. We have 125 students, varying in ages from 15 to 40. The students pay fees but they are minimal and they are fed two meals a day. McGill interns have helped in years past with the debating teams, weekly school assemblies, teaching classes in English, English conversation, letter writing, music, dance, and they have helped with a newsletter for Bududa Canada Foundation.

INTERN'S DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Maintain the database of sponsored children
- Work with teachers to improve communications with sponsors
- Develop written materials to help the children improve their letter writing skills
- Help the teachers maintain and improve their written records of the children, weekly registers, progress reports, etc.
- With the teachers, identify the most vulnerable children and visit them in their homes, and make recommendations for action
- Work with the children on a Saturday in any part of the program of particular interest to the intern
- Take charge of personal supplies for the orphans, soap, Vaseline, school supplies and organize their distribution.

Interns' duties and projects may not be as listed. These will depend on the needs of the host organization.

HOST ORGANIZATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Computer skills - good working knowledge of Excel and Word.
- Interpersonal - excellent interpersonal skills, a good communicator, with good judgment and the ability to make decisions on their own. Flexible.

- Prior experience - teaching, social work, medicine, administration, international development.
- The project has many facets, from academic support for children, to teaching them about AIDS awareness and contraception and also monitoring the health of the children. The Director would try to accommodate a volunteer with special interests.
- An interest in the problems of developing countries and specifically the problems faced by the children.

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HOURS: Full-time, normally 35-40 hours per week. Monday to Friday

REMUNERATION: If the internship is unpaid, successful applicants may be eligible to apply for Faculty of Arts Internship Awards.

Costs Involved: Simple but good accommodation is available at the guesthouse, at \$18 US per day, which includes three meals a day.

A project fee of \$600. US is requested from each volunteer who comes to help at Bududa Learning Center. This needs to be paid before going to Bududa

HOW TO APPLY: Students must complete the online Arts Internship Application Form available on the AIO website www.mcgill.ca/arts-internships

Application Deadlines:

International internships: November 20, 2017. Canada & US internships: January 29, 2018

All internships will run for twelve weeks from May 7th to July 27th, 2018.

ELIGIBILITY:

- McGill Faculty of Arts student completed 60 credits
- Minimum CGPA of 2.7
- Returning to McGill in the fall following the internship
- Students must fulfill Faculty of Arts requirements as outlined in the Handbook for Interns

COSTS: The intern is responsible for all costs associated with the internship including transportation, accommodations, etc.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS: Preparing travel arrangements to and from the internship host community is the responsibility of the intern.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Finding suitable lodging during the internship is the responsibility of the intern.

Please Note:

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. At that time, you may be asked to come in for an interview.

The Arts Internship Office will then transmit the selected applications to the host organization, which will ultimately be responsible for the selection of the candidate(s).

If you feel you have experienced barriers which have had an impact on your academic performance and wish to highlight these to the selection committee, the documents/comments will be taken into consideration..

WORKSHOPS:

Successful candidates are required to attend the following sessions:

- Faculty of Arts Interns Meeting (All internships)
- Cross-Cultural Workshop (Internships outside of Canada, the U.S & Europe)

- Interns Responsibilities and Guidelines
- International Travel Pre-Departure Session (Internships outside of Canada, the U.S & Europe)
- International Internship Debriefing Session (Internships outside of Canada, the U.S & Europe)
- Success in a Professional Environment (Internships in an office setting)

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

All applicants should consult the Global Affairs Canada Travel Reports for the internship host country prior to applying for this internship. http://www.voyage.gc.ca/countries_pays/menu-eng.asp

Traveling, living and working abroad can involve certain risks to your health and safety that differ from your home country. These may include: crime, political/social instability, tropical diseases/infections, extreme weather conditions, poor infrastructure, etc.

The Arts Internship Office cannot guarantee the safety of any intern in their host country. It is up to the student to fully assess and prepare for any health or security risks that may be involved in pursuing this internship. Applicants are encouraged to discuss potential risks with their family prior to applying.

Applicants must ensure that they are physically and mentally capable of successfully completing an internship in the internship host country. The Arts Internship Office may request a doctor's attestation that an applicant is sufficiently healthy to complete an internship.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Interns are responsible for informing themselves of what entry requirements are required to visit and work as an intern in the internship host country. These may include a visa, work permit, passport valid for at least 6 months after entry, and proof of certain vaccinations.

The intern is responsible for acquiring all necessary documents in time for the beginning of their internship.

ADDITIONAL VIDEOS:

1. BUDUDA VOCATIONAL ACADEMY MUSIC VIDEO: <HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=TJLCXBKQ-GS&FEATURE=YOUTU.BE>
2. INFORMATIONAL VIDEO: <HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=6IEQXIHAETK>
3. VOLUNTEER TIPS VIDEO: <HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=HE7SMOB6BcM>