

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY WITH ELIMU SUMMER 2022

POSITION:	Intern (2 Positions)
LOCATION:	Kianyaga, Mt. Kenya region, Kenya
DESCRIPTION OF HOST ORGANIZATION:	<p>Elimu is a Kenyan NGO founded by McGill Professor Matthieu Chemin in 2006, which undertakes the rigorous evaluation of development projects in order to identify the most effective ways to reduce poverty. Elimu uses randomized experiments to achieve this goal.</p> <p>Elimu is partnering with the Kiangurwe community to generate micro-hydro electricity for the community. With affordable electricity, farmers may use water pumps for irrigating high value crops, microentrepreneurs could start businesses, women may save on household chores, children may spend more time doing homework with proper lighting. Elimu's goal is to rigorously evaluate the potential benefits of access to electricity and compare them to the costs of running such an operation, in order to inform decision makers and other African communities about the desirability of such a project. Elimu is also looking into testing the effects of productive electrical appliances that could be used with this electricity, such as mobile money, digital finance, or communication apps.</p> <p>In 2015, Elimu launched an online tutoring program where, by receiving online tutoring from university students in developed countries, students in developing countries should increase their grades, learn how to use computers, and gain exposure to new people and environments. Our research has now entered an experimental stage where we provide weekly online tutoring sessions between McGill students and 25 randomly chosen grade 6 students via Zoom.</p> <p>In another project, Elimu has tested the effects of access to legal institutions for small scale farmers engaged in land conflicts on their security of property rights and investment. We now hope to combine this approach with the remote aspect of the tutoring project described above, whereby law students from McGill in conjunction with law students from Kenya would give legal aid to small scale farmers. We call this project "remote legal aid".</p>
INTERN'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:	<p>The intern will be expected to support the project manager as well as the activities of the evaluation unit. In particular, these may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Working closely with the other evaluation fieldworkers in the collection, or cleaning of survey data - Fundraising for the library to acquire computers and organizing the Raimu/McGill tutoring partnership - Working closely with the "remote legal aid" team on the provision of legal aid to participants in the community - Undertaking qualitative interviews on relevant topics - Assisting Professor Chemin with research for various related projects - Providing basic computer training to local staff - Writing grants for Elimu, or partners

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organizing activities in the library in collaboration with the librarian and primary school teachers <p><i>Please note that the internship may change depending on the evolution of the situation related to the coronavirus disease pandemic (COVID-19). This may include the internship being cancelled.</i></p> <p><i>Interns' duties and projects may not be as listed. These will depend on the needs of the host organization.</i></p>
HOST ORGANIZATION'S REQUIREMENTS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Have practical backgrounds/interests in one or more of the following areas: economics, law, computer science, international development. - An interest in statistics and econometrics is a plus. Technical knowledge of excel, access, and/or stata is appreciated. - Have good interpersonal skills and experience working in teams. - Be excited to interact with local community members. - Be someone who takes initiative. - Demonstrate cultural sensitivity and interest. - Have experience living abroad, specifically in a developing country, is an asset. - Interns are required to conduct public engagement activities on campus and/or in their community, upon their return to Canada.
HOURS:	Full time
DATES:	12 weeks between May 2 to July 22, 2022. (dates to be finalized with host organization)
REMUNERATION:	Faculty of Arts Internship Award totaling \$6,000 will be issued to the student.
HOW TO APPLY:	Students must complete the online Arts Internship Application Form available on the AIO website: https://www.mcgill.ca/arts-internships/internships/postings
DEADLINE TO APPLY:	February 13, 2022
CITIZENSHIP REQUIREMENTS:	
ELIGIBILITY:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - McGill Faculty of Arts student (completed 60 credits) - Minimum CGPA of 2.7 - Returning to McGill in the fall semester following the internship - Students must fulfill Faculty of Arts requirements as outlined in the Handbook for Interns https://www.mcgill.ca/arts-internships/resources (under General Resources -> Handbook) - Proof of medical insurance for duration of internship
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 organization is the responsibility of the intern.
ACCOMMODATION:	Finding suitable lodging during the internship is the responsibility of the intern.
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:	<p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>The intern is responsible for acquiring all necessary documents in time for the beginning of their internship.</u>

Please Note:

We will get back to you shortly after the deadline if you are selected for an interview. Normally, you will be notified by the end of February. 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).

Students who do not receive offers will be notified on a rolling basis as decisions are made.

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