The World Federation of Public Health Associations is looking for a student in the Office of the Secretariat in Geneva, Switzerland.

WFPHA offers a unique environment for an internship for students in international health and development. Interns are given substantial responsibility for performing activities such as researching and writing articles for the newsletter, establishing contact with health and development NGOs around the world, planning international conferences, and fundraising. Each internship is structured to suit the needs and interests of the intern, such as working on an individual research assignment, as well as the requirements of WFPHA. Interns may have the opportunity to participate in the formulation of WFPHA policy resolutions or papers, depending on circumstances.

During the course of the internship, the student will further develop his/her writing and research skills and become more familiar with the key issues and actors in international health and development. Extensive networking opportunities as WHPHA is an international NGO in official relations with WHO, and has extensive contacts with other organizations worldwide will be offered to the student. No travel opportunities will be provided.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

Internships are offered to current graduate students with strong academic backgrounds and an interest in global public health. Applicants should possess strong writing and research skills. In addition, applicants should be able to work fairly independently and ideally be knowledgeable about the major issues in the field of global health.

Language skills: Preferably English, French or Spanish native speaker; fluent in English mandatory, another language will be an asset.

Opportunities for internships are available starting from June 2012 and can be developed for a 3-4 month period, an academic semester, or a full year.

The working time can be adapted from 20% to 100% according to the intern and WFPHA requirements.

WFPHA internships are unpaid. The organization does not cover re-location expenses and does not sponsor international student visas.

If you are interested in applying for an internship, please send CV and motivation letter to marta.lomazzi@unige.ch, before May 11th 2011.