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## **Access to Medicines, Health Equity & Justice: DC Spring Internship**

Universities Allied for Essential Medicines (UAEM) North America is offering an internship opportunity for students interested in learning about access to essential medicine issues while having the ability to contribute to the day-to-day functions of a growing non-profit organization.

Based in the Shaw neighborhood of Washington, DC UAEM is a global non-profit organization working to change the way in which medical discoveries are patented and licensed to ensure that life-saving medicines are affordable and accessible to the people who need them most.

UAEM is actively seeking a student from Howard University to play a supporting role in UAEM's day to day operations, campaigns and advocacy for a world where no one is sick because they are poor or are poor because they are sick. The intern will learn about UAEM's campaign work involving themse including global health, intellectual property, human rights and policy research, as well as non-profit development, communications, event planning, and organizing on university campuses for social change. This internship is ideal for anyone with a strong interest in learning how to lead an advocacy campaign for social change.

Students interested in helping with the campaign and gaining practical knowledge and experience in the field of access to medicines, advocacy and campaigning are welcome to apply. The role will be versatile and is an opportunity to gain experience in health advocacy and non-profit management. The DC team is small and much of the organizing component will be with other students across the US, Canada and globally.

### **Areas of work may include:**

The DC intern will work closely with UAEM staff - in particular with the Executive Director who is based in the Shaw office location at the WeWork Wonderbread Factory.

- Intro to UAEM online training
- Work with staff and a national network of students to support UAEM's existing campaigns
- Gather any necessary research that must be done to build advocacy campaign.
- Under the supervision of the Executive Director, provide online organizing support to support new and existing UAEM chapters .
- Support communications initiatives as they arise in response to developing drug pricing and access to medicines landscape, including conducting research and summarizing relevant information, contributing to an external media strategy, and updating the organization website with new materials, features and resources.

**Reports to:** Executive Director

**Type of position:** Intern

**Time Commitment:** 10 – 15 hrs/week



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**Duration:** 12 weeks, with option to renew. Start Date Flexible.

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Required Skills and Expectations:**

- Passion for social justice.
- Genuine interest in UAEM's core objectives and student-based approach.
- Highly organized, able to multitask and work to meet deadlines.
- Strong work ethic with the ability to work both independently as well as part of a team.
- Excellent judgment and diplomacy, with a high level of intercultural awareness and political sensitivity.
- Computer proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint and a willingness to develop additional skills as needed.
- Strong verbal and writing skills.
- Relevant experience in organizing student groups online or offline preferred but not required.

**Additional Information:** Given the part time nature of this internship, there is a preference for students who are able to work from the Shaw office location for some hours per week. This is a 12 week spring internship position. A minimum of 10 -15 hours of work per week will be expected.

A basic stipend will be provided. Hours are flexible.

For earliest consideration, please submit your resume and cover letter to [administrator@essentialmedicine.org](mailto:administrator@essentialmedicine.org). We will be accepting applications on an immediate and rolling basis until the position is filled.