

2024 Summer Internship Program

Pioneering research initiatives. Promoting mental health.
Reducing the burden of mental illness worldwide.

The Columbia University Global Mental Health Programs represent a network of faculty and programs focused on research and capacity building around the world, especially in low- and middle-income countries where the number of mental health professionals falls far from meeting the needs of communities. In partnership with global colleagues, we are developing, supervising, disseminating, supporting and implementing evidence based programs that have real impact.

Jointly housed in the Columbia University Vagelos College of Physicians & Surgeons, Department of Psychiatry, and the Mailman School of Public Health, we approach our work through multiple scholarly and practitioner lenses: psychiatry, psychology, epidemiology, social work, and medical anthropology.

Partnerships built on an exchange of perspectives is key to advancing mental health advocacy, research, and training in order to achieve impactful and sustainable psychosocial services on a global scale.



OUR INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

For over six years, our eight-week Summer Internship Program has supported cohorts of undergraduate students, whose intellectual curiosity, passion, and empathy drive them to gain a deeper understanding of the challenges of mental health care.

During the Summer Internship Program, interns will further their development through:



Learning Opportunities

participating in a wide range of didactic seminars and experiential learning opportunities that facilitate personal and professional growth

ELIGIBILITY



Skills Development

gaining knowledge and skills to assist with innovative research projects within global mental health



Career Support

building meaningful mentoring relationships with faculty and staff at Columbia University



The internship positions are selected on a competitive basis and open to rising senior undergraduate students interested in global mental health.

In the past, the Summer Internship Program has attracted applicants with a wide range of backgrounds, in the fields of policy, gender studies, psychology, medicine, public health, and other social sciences. We are open to any and all majors.

FUNDING

At this time, the Summer Internship Program is unpaid. Students are encouraged to apply for internship funding from their home institution. If funding is not available through their university, students may apply for a stipend from the GMHP Summer Scholars Fund for up to \$2,000.

VIRTUAL FORMAT

The 2024 program is planned to be completely virtual with no requirement to travel to Columbia University.

KEY DATES

- Application Opens: December 1, 2023
- Application Deadline: January 31, 2024, 5pm EST
- Interviews: February March 2024
- Notification of Acceptance: March 2024
- Internship Start Date: June 2024