

Helen Keller International Internship Announcement

Monitor, Evaluation and Research Intern- Annual Survey Suaahara II Project Kathmandu, Nepal or Remote

Helen Keller International is a global health organization dedicated to eliminating preventable vision loss, malnutrition and diseases of poverty. Cofounded by Helen Keller – and guided by her fierce optimism and belief in human potential – the organization delivers life-changing health solutions to vulnerable families where the need is great but access to care is limited. In the US, Africa, and Asia, Helen Keller’s proven, science-based programs empower people to create opportunities in their own lives and build lasting change.

Helen Keller has a commitment to accommodate our staff and/or interns during this unprecedented time, via work from home and flexible scheduling, as needed, as well as a commitment to duty of care and ensuring appropriate health and safety measures are followed as staff and/or interns return to the workplace.

USAID-funded Suaahara II (SII) is a seven-year, \$89 million integrated program dedicated to improving the health and nutrition of children and mothers of children who fall within the 1000 days period, i.e. from conception until a child reaches 24 months of age. This period is recognized as a crucial timeframe during which nutritional interventions can have optimal impact on child growth and development. SII was designed in consultation with the Government of Nepal GON and other stakeholders and will contribute towards achieving the goals set by Nepal’s Multi-Sector Nutrition Plan (MSNP). In 42 of Nepal’s 77 districts, Suaahara II will support the GON with a district-wide approach to expanding health and nutrition services, but SII also works at the household and community level in a multi-sectoral way particularly on health and nutrition behaviors, family planning, water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) including menstrual hygiene, food security and dietary diversity, agriculture/homestead food production (HFP), governance, and gender equity and social issues. In addition to working with mother/child dyads in the 1000-day period, SII has a household approach to reach all household members including fathers and grandmothers of young children; SII has also started various programmatic activities targeted to adolescents (10-19 years), as this is another window of opportunity increasingly recognized as important for nutrition and growth.

Scope of Work

This internship will involve analysis, interpretation, and use of data from the sixth-year annual survey of Suaahara II, a large-scale, multi-sectoral nutrition program in Nepal. The sixth-year annual survey involves data collection at the household level for 1000-days households as well as health facilities. The aim is to gather data appropriate for monitoring progress over time across Suaahara II’s diverse intervention areas.

Managed by SP II's senior researcher, intern duties will include cleaning and analysis of files generated for each dataset including regression analysis to reflect changes in indicators during the period of implementation as reflected in annual survey data. Interns will support the Research team to interpret results and to compile key findings into a written report.

The anticipated plan, subject to change due to Suaahara needs evolving includes:

- **July-Aug:** support data management, including updating cleaning and analysis of files; updating of dummy tables for results
- **Sept-Oct:** finalization of analysis of files and descriptive analysis for results tables
- **Nov-Dec:** finalization of all results tables based on team feedback; drafting and finalization of annual survey report

Qualifications

- This position would be ideal for an MPH student seeking hands-on experience in program monitoring and evaluation.
- Experienced with data analysis, including an understanding of Stata
- Experience on regression analysis
- Highly computer literate, particularly with Microsoft word and excel.
- Excellent oral and written English language skills, including the ability to clearly document work and write reports.
- Interest in writing up the findings for peer-review publication. Prior experience in publishing ideal.
- Ability to prioritize workload, assume responsibility for work, and follow through to completion.
- An ability to work in challenging and changing environments, and to see through challenges to find solutions.

Terms & Conditions

- Full-time from July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.
- The intern will be allowed to work remotely but should preferably spend at least two weeks in Nepal, working out of Helen Keller Intl's Suaahara office if feasible based on the impact and potential restrictions due to the pandemic.
- ***Costs associated with Country Office Internships are the full responsibility of the participating intern, including airfare, housing, daily living expenses, etc.***
 - Helen Keller Intl will only reimburse costs associated with actual project work, such as travel to field projects.
- Helen Keller Intl/ Suaahara II's will enter into a data sharing agreement to allow Suaahara II data to be used for the purpose of the internships and to jointly publish the key findings for this agreed scope and nothing beyond this agreed scope, without explicit written permission and revision of the data sharing agreement.
- Helen Keller Intl, Suaahara II's Senior Research Manager, Ramesh P. Adhikari, will be assigned as the academic mentor to ensure the interns are provided with sufficient academic guidance. He will be supported by the Deputy Chief of Program, Kristine Dandanell Garn.
- In addition, an Administrative Manager will be assigned (this may or may not be the same person as the Academic Mentor) to welcome and support the intern with regards to logistics,

to act as the local point of contact for all administrative information, and to serve as Global Management's primary point of contact for the management of any emergencies that may arise.

To Apply

Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to hki.interns@hki.org noting the internship title and location in the subject line. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

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We are committed to providing reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities. If you are a qualified individual with a disability and need to request an accommodation during the application or interview process, please contact us at the email above or call 646-356-1789.