Development Economics Research Communications Intern (Summer 2021)

Start date: May 24, 2021
End date: August 27, 2021
Expected weekly hours: Part to full time positions available
Pay rate: $14.25

Who We Are:
Yale University’s Economic Growth Center and the Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies work together to use economic frameworks and analytical tools to answer pressing policy questions and spur real-world change. We partner with policymakers to understand challenges to achieving policy objectives, design and test interventions, and share applicable insights from economic theory and empirics to more effectively deliver public services and improve the well-being of vulnerable groups. Current areas of research include gender and economic engagement (labor markets, technology, and financial inclusion); environmental policy, Covid-19 policy, and governance.

The Role:
This position will support a wide range of communications activities related to economics and policy research, including writing and editing, website building, event planning, researching contacts, and working in multimedia platforms. This internship will allow a candidate with strong research, writing, and communications skills the opportunity to gather and synthesize information to be used in articles directed toward the public (via op-eds and blogs), academic audiences (research summaries), and policymakers (policy briefs). Interns are able to hone their writing and editing skills and author original articles. The goal is to convey research insights for policy to improve lives in developing countries.

Interns will also have the opportunity to attend regular lab meetings and work with faculty and fellows on the team. This is a dynamic research portfolio which allows for creativity and growth, and tasks may change as the agenda develops.

Responsibilities:
- Conduct desk research to gather and summarize data and other background information relevant to economics writing
- Identify, document, review and summarize relevant research and news articles
- Source images, draft and edit website text, and build webpages
- Organize and store all background research in readily searchable and citable format
- Support article proofing and grammar edits of text, as requested
- Assist in building audience on social media
- Assist in building a database of contacts
- Other tasks as needed

Qualifications:
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Background in economics, public policy, and/or journalism
- Ability to work independently
- Strong organizational skills and ability to multitask effectively
Website and design skills are desired

How to Apply:
To apply, please include your CV, a short nonacademic writing sample, statement of interest, and academic transcript (unofficial is acceptable).

Yale is an Affirmative Action Equal Opportunity Employer. Yale values diversity in its faculty, students, and staff and encourages applications from people of diverse backgrounds, particularly women, members of minority groups, protected veterans, persons with disabilities, and others who have been historically underrepresented in the field of economics.