# **Environmental Health Science Internship**DESCRIPTION



**Vera Aqua Vera Vita** is a grassroots nonprofit organization founded on the mission of "tapping into the physical and spiritual nature of water to empower people and communities in developing countries to generate clean water and sanitation solutions that bring 'True Water True Life.'" We are a small and a relatively young organization with a lot of opportunity for growth and impactful contribution. Visit our website at <u>VeraAquaVeraVita.org</u>.

Job Description: Meaningful, professional, and fun unpaid Environmental Health Science Internship working closely with the Founder & Executive Director of Vera Aqua Vera Vita and staff to help advance the mission of Vera Aqua Vera Vita through environmental health science and project data collection services such as but not limited to research and review of general environmental and personal health data research for the countries and communities VAVV serves; assistance in revision, preparation, and development of preliminary and comprehensive community assessment surveys; detailed data collection efforts including but not limited to environmental/personal health, water quality, and effective wastewater management; management and analysis of data collected in order to develop a prospect score for evaluating priority of who VAVV should serve; and assistance in developing VAVV's WASH education curricula and workshop lesson plan.

**Supervision:** An intern in this role will receive direct supervision, guidance, and mentorship from the Executive Director and indirect guidance and mentorship from the Peru Projects and Programs Director.

Job Type: Unpaid Internship

#### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- Supporting of Vera Aqua Vera Vita's mission
- Willingness/motivation to learn & ability to quickly grasp new software, etc.
- Ability to work in a volunteer/team environment both in person and on the phone
- Self-motivated to complete projects, meet deadlines, and function independently without much oversight
- Proficient in Microsoft Office suite of products
- Data management & analysis experience (collegiate or professional skills)
- Environmental Health Science experience (collegiate or professional skills)
- Water Chemistry knowledge and experience (collegiate or professional skills)

## **Scope of Role:**

- General environmental and personal health data collection for the countries and communities VAVV serves
- Assistance in revision, preparation, and development of preliminary and comprehensive community assessment surveys
- Detailed data collection efforts including but not limited to environmental/personal health, water quality, and effective wastewater conveyance
- Management and analysis of data collected in order to develop a prospect score for evaluating priority of who VAVV should serve

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- Assistance in developing VAVV's WASH education curricula and workshop lesson plan
- Other tasks within the field of Environmental Health Sciences when assigned

### **Expectations:**

- Estimated hours per week: 10 hours minimum
- Accountable to meet strict deadlines, with exceptions
- Bi-weekly Status Meeting with supervisor on assignments
- The internship would be a minimum of full semester until finals week, *with exceptions*. The exact duration of the internship will be determined in negotiations during hiring

## **Our (VAVV) Commitment:**

- To assist you in acquiring college credit hours for your work, if available at your university
- To provide the opportunity to work within a team of technical experts in a professional non-profit organization
- To provide an opportunity to learn, grow, and be creative in helping to vision VAVV for the future
- To provide a letter of recommendation, if requested, if all work requirements and professional standards were met during the volunteer period
- To provide experience working within a volunteer-based organization

Application: Professional cover letter | Professional resume

#### If Interested:

- Apply on <u>Handshake</u>
- Contact Jacob Niemeier at <u>iniemeier@veraaquaveravita.org</u> or call **469-577-9465** if you have questions, feedback, or want more information