

International Leadership Institute Internship Program - 2007/2008 -

The International Leadership Institute (ILI) - <http://www.internationalleadership.org>, in conjunction with the Instituto Midia Etnica (IME) of Salvador Bahia, Brazil is pleased to offer unpaid academic internships to college students for summer and/or fall sessions of the 2007/2008 school season.

Application form and information on applying for the internships can be found at the bottom of this message.

Location: ILI Brazil office in Salvador Bahia, Brazil, IME Quilombo de Midia Center, Salvador, Bahia

Project: “Educating the African descendants of Bahia about the importance of media and information technology in the pursuit of human rights and developing a sustainable effort to bridge the digital divide”

About the Organization: ILI is a non-profit organization that focuses on humanitarian and rule-of-law aid to developing communities and groups in transition to help them become self-sustaining. ILI works with local community groups to facilitate outreach programs that aim to provide legal, medical and social services for marginalized members of the community to achieve self reliance, economic opportunity and equal justice. The Quilombo de Midia Project will focus on the technology and digital part of the program. Amongst others issues, interns would be working with ILI to conduct research, present publications and seminars on the insertion of low-income issues into media and public discourse, provide digital inclusion, political and academic interventions in advanced courses of human rights and communication, facilitate relations between the Afro-Brazilian movement and conventional media, facilitate job placements for indigents and students, provide lessons on critical reading of media for students, and make video production on issues facing impoverished black communities.

Length of Internship: FT, 8 to 16 weeks

Potential Duties

- Provide assistance with individual cases including conducting intake and follow-up interviews
- Doing research and potentially writing articles for publication or to be used in presentations to aid agencies, briefs and/or objective memorandums
- Draft country condition reports
- Conduct Media Justice/Rights presentations
- Assist with computer training and english teaching at the Quilombo de Midia
- Communicate with the ILI home office in Minneapolis regarding program efforts and other related tasks
- Teach human rights to children using materials prepared by the ILI

Qualifications

Must have completed 3rd year of college by summer 2007 or enrolled in graduate school

- Must have interest in working low-income communities, and have interest in human rights
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English

Special demands or conditions

Interns are responsible for their own travel to Salvador, visa procurement, insurance, housing, food and expenses. Interns must know how to arrive in Salvador, Brazil. There is an administrative fee of USD100. Students should be prepared to work 4-5 full days a week, some communication in Spanish/Portuguese is helpful (not required), and ability to work with a diverse population.

Deadline for Applying: Friday, June 1, 2007

Application Process: Please fill out the attached application form and submit the following documents,

- Résumé
- Transcript of most recent academic work
- Letter of reference

To:

The International Leadership Institute
5021 Vernon Avenue S., PMB 136
Minneapolis, MN 55436

For further information contact Obi Chukwu (obi@internationalleadership.org)

Application Form

I. Applicant Information

Name:

Mailing Address:

Permanent Address(skip if same as Mailing Address):

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Work Phone:

E-mail:

Fax:

Citizenship (if not US, type of US visa):

Please specify your Major or area of interest:

What human rights or social studies topics interest you? (e.g. women, children, health, housing, poverty reduction, education):

Current place of employment/student status:

How did you learn about the International Leadership Institute Internship Program (e.g. email announcement, website, flyer, brochure, educator, past fellow, or other source):

II. Emergency Contact Information

Name: _____

Relation: _____

Emergency Contact Info

Home Phone: _____
Cell Phone: _____
Work Phone: _____
E-mail: _____
Fax: _____

III. Proposed Fellowship Information

(Not to exceed 3 pages)

A. Please provide a brief description of the proposed internship to be undertaken with this placement, including the proposed host organization and its location. (Maximum 100 words)

B. Language study relevant to internship (not required). Include years of study, and practical experience.

C. Have you applied for any other financial assistance to pursue your proposed placement? If so, please describe.

D. Name, phone, and address of college career counselor.

F. Will you be applying for student loans for the internship?

IV. Attachments

A. 2-3 page essay describing:

- Why you are interested in this kind of internship
- How you plan to support yourself during the internship
- Significance of the experience for your academic or professional training
- Relationship of the Internship to your future goals
- How your school or academic institution will benefit from your internship, how will the internship satisfy the requirements of your school curriculum?
- Identify a key aspect of social work, social study or current human rights issue in the country/location of your proposed internship and how you plan to adapt it to your internship.

B. A résumé detailing your cultural experiences, previous internships or fellowships, travel, education, employment, extracurricular activities, honors, etc. You may also wish to include a brief cover letter highlighting how these experiences will relate to your internship.

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C. A transcript of your most recent academic work (if less than ten years prior).

D. Written evidence of a commitment to the internship from your school.

E. (Optional) A letter of reference regarding your relevant abilities and qualifications.

V. Deadline

**Applications and supporting materials must be submitted by Friday, June 1, 2007
by 5:00 PM Central Time, to:**

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