

## RESEARCH INTERN

### PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Georgetown University Institute for Reproductive Health (IRH) is dedicated to improving the sexual and reproductive health of women, men and youth through a research-to-practice agenda. Our emphasis is on increasing access to and use of family planning, increasing fertility awareness through life-stage appropriate interventions, expanding access to fertility awareness-based family planning methods in an informed choice context, and developing scalable interventions to transform gender norms and catalyze the diffusion of social norms that support family planning. Cross-cutting themes in the Institute's work include the diffusion of social norms that support adolescent sexual and reproductive health, incorporating gender perspectives in reproductive health and scale-up of innovations. In partnership with a wide range of international and local organizations, IRH conducts research, builds capacity, and provides technical assistance to public and private-sector organizations in lower and middle-income countries and the U.S. The Institute is supported by grants from federal agencies and foundations.

### Project Overview: Passages

The Research Intern will support IRH implementation science and global leadership initiatives under the Passages project. Passages is a 5 year (2015-2020) USAID funded initiative to advance the evidence and implementation of normative change interventions for adolescent sexual and reproductive health.

### POSITION SUMMARY

- **Transforming Masculinities:** The Passages project is supporting the adaptation, implementation and evaluation of a faith based, normative change intervention to prevent intimate partner violence (IPV) and promote family planning. The implementation of the intervention is nearly complete and we are working on endline survey research. TM is currently transitioning to scale up planning. To do this, the collaborative team is developing a learning agenda to support implementation learning and scale up. The intern will work as a member of the team and work on the learning agenda, document scale-up learning and action, support using M&E data for scale up and other activities. [approx.. 5hr/week]
- **Knowledge Management and Evidence Building:** Passages is working to advance the understanding of social norms theory as it applies to adolescent sexual and reproductive health. In partnership with a related initiative, the Learning Collaborative, we are developing guidance on theories of change for normative change interventions. The intern will work collaboratively with a team to review theories of change and social norms materials, develop content for the theory of change guiding document, and communicate with members of the Collaborative working on the document. [approx.. 5hr/week]
- **Knowledge Management and Evidence Building:** Analysis of Passages staff and partner focus group discussions. At a recent partner meeting for the Passages project, three focus group discussions were held to discuss learnings, scale up and the future of the Passages project. The intern will work with the Passages leadership to review the focus groups, develop an analysis plan and analyze the data to understand key messages and learnings. [approx. total: 40 hours]
- **Knowledge Management and Evidence Building:** The Passages project seeks to explore and advance thinking on the ethics of norm-focused interventions. Using information from previous discussions, a presentation at a conference in Bali and a recent literature review, the intern will support this working including contextualizing the understanding of ethics in different sectors and domains. [approx. total: 45 hours]

### QUALIFICATIONS

The research intern will possess the following skills and experience:

- Knowledge of sexual and reproductive health issues
- Previous experience working with research
- Interest in global health and/or international development
- Excellent writing skills
- Strong organizational skills
- Willingness to work on-site at IRH's headquarters in DuPont Circle, 20 hours per week from September through December.

Your education, expertise and professional network includes...

- Candidate should be a current student or recent graduate of a master's degree program in a related field.
- Previous internship or non-profit experience preferred.

Intern will receive a modest stipend to cover lunch and transportation costs.

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