

Through PIA-facilitated internship placements, member organizations can access MIT's exceptional student talent for focused summer projects. PIA staff assist members with framing internship opportunities and facilitating connections to qualified students by promoting opportunities across Institute channels.

INTERNSHIP PLACEMENT GUIDELINES

MIT D-Lab will be working with the MIT Priscilla King Gray Public Service Center (PKG Center) to help connect PIA members with students for service internships that tackle challenges faced by communities around the world dealing with a broad range of poverty issues. If you have an internship available that you think would be a good fit for D-Lab's approach to education, please email the following information to Dana Gorodetsky by **January 27, 2017**. Please note that this information will be shared widely across MIT, so you may want to consider confidentiality concerns.

- Project title
- Country and city/region
- Organization name
- One paragraph project description
- Contact information for students to get more information:
 - Name
 - Email address
 - Phone number
 - Position in organization
 - Web link for more information

Upon reception of PIA members' internship descriptions, D-Lab and PKG will promote the opportunity and connect interested students directly with PIA members, who can select the applicant(s) that fit their needs.

FUNDING

PIA members should also indicate whether or not they have funding available for the internship. Students may be able to apply for funding to support their service work through the PKG or other MIT programs, but this is not guaranteed. Additionally, students applying for unfunded internships with non-profits or social ventures will be more likely to be awarded funding than those applying for corporate internships.

RECENT INTERNSHIP EXAMPLES

- A student studying Materials Science and Engineering interned with EnAble India, an organization in Bangalore that helps people with disabilities secure employment in the mainstream workforce.
- A graduate student in Architecture interned at a non-profit design firm in Boston known for its international healthcare and educational work, and has since received a research grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to study health care facilities in the Global South to design and develop healthier hospitals in the U.S.
- A Chemical Engineering study spent IAP (January) in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania working at a sustainable coal production plant. She tested the charcoal briquette drying system currently used there and implemented improvements to make the drying take place more quickly.
- A student in Mechanical Engineering traveled to Uganda to work with CURE International Hospital in Mbale. During her time at the hospital, she helped on several projects, including the rollout of new biomedical software and laptops for hospital staff, technology training sessions for the local IT staff, public health seminars with the hospital's patients, and a mobile clinic run in Lira, Uganda.