



Global Public Health Internship | Communications | Spring 2022

Duration: January - June, 15-20 hours per week [hours and days are flexible]

Location: Remote

Application Deadline: December 15, 2021

About The Access Challenge

The Access Challenge is a New York-based organization that partners with political and cultural leaders to build African-centered mass-media campaigns and strategic advocacy programs to change health policy. We seek to influence policy to enable a world where the next generation of global citizens, our children, have equal access to the opportunities and services they need to thrive. Our dedicated team works strategically alongside leaders and influencers at the country, continental, and international level. By leveraging the power of the media to reach millions with life saving messages, we inspire multi-sectoral action in the fight to reduce child mortality, secure a healthy environment, cultivate global development partnerships, and unlock resources in the public and private sectors. Our flagship campaign focused on UHC is One by One: Target 2030 and operates on three levels: global convenings (UNGA, COP, AU Summits, Regional Meetings), political advocacy, and mass media campaigns. In response to the pandemic, we launched Target COVID-19, a pan-African, coalition-driven communications and advocacy campaign created with the African Union and Africa CDC. The campaign includes various mass media campaigns to mobilize influencers from all sectors to use their viral platforms to promote increased testing, vaccine uptake, and general COVID-19 prevention measures across Africa. Learn more at www.accesschallenge.org and www.onebyone2030.org.

Position Summary

We seek a highly-motivated student pursuing global health and communications to support the work of the Communications Manager in The Access Challenge's external communications and media strategies. The Communications team designs social media digital content for the campaign and mass media operations in Africa. They facilitate necessary research in order to promote the UHC agenda, elevate and amplify stories of everyday African innovators and health leaders, and provide support to our team members on the continent. The Intern will be an essential part of the team, and will work closely to meet and exceed the organization's strategic communication objectives. This individual should be eager to think outside of the box to leverage the position as an NYC-based organization reaching both the international global health community, as well as African leaders and community health workers in order to create change in universal health coverage perception and policy. Responsibilities include:

- **Support for One By One: Target 2030 and COVID-19 Campaigns**
 - Provide support for the strategy and execution of the short term and long term campaign goals
 - Help conduct research on and cultivate relationships with prospective campaign partners
 - Designing outreach and event materials, toolkits and social media content
 - Website development and maintenance
- **Support for Political Advocacy Efforts**
 - Assist in drafting of health resolutions, specific policy recommendations to advance UHC in Africa
 - Research health system progress in Africa and help identify political & governmental meetings and/or discussions

Benefits

- Work with cross-cultural professionals who are passionate about advancing inclusive UHC
- Gain exposure to a range of disciplines and projects including research, editorial, digital media and social listening
- Strengthen your understanding of African politics, and behavioral change messaging through mass media platforms
- Opportunity to engage with global health partners, political figures, celebrity and micro-influencers and media houses

Qualifications

- Students majoring in communications, journalism, policy, politics, public health
- Well-organized, detail-oriented, self-motivated, reliable and creative
- Excellent written and oral communication skills in English are required
- Experience and familiarity with digital advocacy and/or major social media platforms

Please note that this internship is unpaid. Our team will work with your university to award you credit for your experience.

To apply, please send your Resume, Cover Letter and a Writing Sample to katy.morris@accesschallenge.org and info@accesschallenge.org.