

Field: International Development
Name: Association for India's Development
Location: Various locations in India; contact AID directly for options
Name of Position: AID India Intern (20)

Brief Description of Organization:

The Association for India's Development is a volunteer movement promoting sustainable, equitable, and just development for grassroots-level projects in India. AID supports grassroots organizations in India and initiates efforts in interconnected spheres such as education, livelihoods, natural resources (including land, water and energy), agriculture, health, women's empowerment, and social justice.

The AID India Internship program provides internship opportunities in coordination with its partner NGOs in India. Details about the program can be found at:

<http://internships.aidindia.org/>

Information Specific to the Internship:

AID India Intern

What to expect:

- An opportunity to work at the grassroots level and make a difference to the community. In many cases, interns live in the communities they intern in, thus get a full immersion into the experience.
- An environment where you can build your language skills; if you already know an Indian language or to pick up some basics of a new language if you don't.
- An opportunity to blog and share your experience with the community at large through public media/magazines/ news articles- local, national or international.
- And most importantly, lifelong friends who will cherish and appreciate your work and your impact on their well-being for a long time.

Qualifications:

This internship opportunity is available to both undergraduate and graduate students. AID encourages applicants from any background to apply for an internship position, and in particular seeks individuals who are comfortable working in underdeveloped or developing parts of the country (such as villages and towns). At present, AID is teamed with four education-based NGOs (see <http://www.internships.aidindia.org> for more information).

Primary Responsibilities:

The duties and responsibilities of the intern will be determined by the NGO or project the intern is matched with through our organization. This is usually determined by the needs of the NGO and the skills the potential intern has to offer. Applicants may browse the following former intern blogs to gain insight into the AID India experience:

John Harvey, a student from London, interned at **Parichay**, an informal education program for children living in slums, in summer of 2012.

<http://johnparichay.blogspot.co.uk/>

Shruti and Jayasi, undergraduate students from New Delhi, spent their summer at **Deepa Academy**, a school for the blind.

<http://lifeblindfolded.blogspot.in/>

Schedule:

Summer internship opportunity of up to 8 weeks in duration

Stipend/Assistance:

AID expects the intern to be responsible for flight, living, travel and food expenses during the period of the internship. However, AID will help the intern find and set up accommodation and food arrangements.

Additional Information:

Knowledge of an Indian language is a plus, but is not required. Interns are required to maintain a blog of their experiences during the period of the internship and must submit a one-page report to AID at the end of their Internship.

To Apply:

The deadline for receiving applications for AID India internships is **January 24, 2013**. Preference will be given to early applications. The **final deadline** for receiving applications is **February 14, 2013**. Visit the Apply tab on AID India's webpage (<http://internships.aidindia.org/?q=apply>) to download the forms required as part of the application process. In addition to the completed forms, a copy of your resume/CV and two letters of recommendation should be sent to Nisha Sambamurthy (aidindia.intern@gmail.com). If possible, one of the letters of recommendation should come from a professor or academic adviser, while the other should come from a supervisor or other individual who is familiar with your professional work.

Website:

<http://www.aidindia.org>, <http://www.internships.aidindia.org>