

**Field:** Global Public Health  
**Name:** iccdr, b  
**Location:** Dhaka, Bangladesh  
**Name of Position:** Urban Health Mapping Intern (1)  
Food Security and Nutrition Surveillance Intern (1)

**Brief Description of Organization:**

iccdr,b is an international health research organization based in Dhaka with a rich mix of national and international staff, including public health scientists, laboratory scientists, clinicians, nutritionists, epidemiologists, demographers, social and behavioral scientists, IT professionals, and experts in emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases, and vaccine sciences. The Centre has a cross-cultural environment, with 95% local staff including researchers, medical officers, administrators, and health workers, and 5% international staff primarily from academic and research institutions engaged in global health research. iccdr,b maintains a number of field sites to conduct research among communities living within an environment that is typical of low income Bangladesh. The largest and oldest of these is Matlab, located 55 km southeast of Dhaka. With >45 years of continuous demographic information on a population of over 200,000 people, Matlab is a major rural field site and a major public health resource for the world. The Health and Demographic Surveillance System (HDSS) at Matlab covers a population of ~225,000 providing data necessary to plan, conduct, and evaluate various types of public health intervention research.

**Information Specific to the Internship:**

**Urban Health Mapping Intern**

***Qualifications:***

This internship opportunity is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. Applicants should have strong interpersonal and critical thinking skills, possess an ability to collaborate and work in a team context, and have solid writing and analytic skills. Familiarity with search engines, Microsoft Excel, and quantitative skills are a plus.

***Primary Responsibilities:***

The Urban Health Mapping Intern's primary responsibility will be to assist a large urban mapping project in Dhaka and Sylhet city that focuses on addressing inequities in health service access and utilization. The study uses mixed methods (both quantitative and qualitative) and GIS techniques to examine the density and nature of service provision to the poor, both formal and informal, private and public, and their overall quality and responsiveness.

**Food Security and Nutrition Surveillance Intern**

Launched in 2009 with the support of the European Commission (EC), the Food Security and Nutrition Surveillance Project (FSNSP) builds on more than 17 years of nutrition surveillance programming in Bangladesh- making it one of the longest running nutrition and food security surveillance systems in a low-income country. FSNSP provides data and information about the level and distribution of food insecurity and malnutrition in Bangladesh to policy-makers, development partners and implementing agencies.

**Qualifications:**

This internship opportunity is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. Applicants should have strong critical thinking and writing skills, be open to solving problems, engage in teamwork, and be capable of learning independently. Quantitative skills are an asset, but not required.

**Primary Responsibilities:**

The Food Security and Nutrition Surveillance Intern's responsibilities will include assisting in data analysis, conducting in-depth studies, and preparing a policy brief on the national food security and nutrition surveillance system of Bangladesh.

**Schedule:**

Both internships are summer opportunities of up to 8 weeks in duration.

**Stipend/Assistance:**

iccdr,b is able to provide assistance in finding housing and arranging local transportation and meals. However, iccdr,b is not able to provide a general stipend to finance the intern's stay.

**To Apply:**

Please send your resume/CV, cover letter, and one letter of recommendation to [jchowdhury@icddr.org](mailto:jchowdhury@icddr.org). Inquiries regarding logistical concerns (including travel, housing, and general lifestyle questions) may also be sent to [jchowdhury@icddr.org](mailto:jchowdhury@icddr.org).

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