



Custom Internships

Multidisciplinary internship course in Kenya

Course Description

A GEI internship in Africa or Asia enables you to **develop and apply your theoretical and practical knowledge in a supervised placement**. You are matched with a local host organization according to your level of study, existing skills and desired fields. A specific internship plan is developed in advance of each placement. Academic credits are available, and you will be expected to complete some key course requirements.

In addition to the placement, you will benefit from a pre-placement orientation, a weekly classroom or field session with interdisciplinary training, and a weekly formal supervisory meeting.

Placements are typically available in a **range of fields**. This includes medicine, nursing, pharmacy, public health, allied health, oral health, mental health, veterinary medicine, business, social innovation, global studies, communications & media, law, development, education, sustainability, engineering, or natural resource management. Start dates are flexible and year-round, subject to availability, and internships should be at least 4 weeks in duration.

Highlights

- **Combine** a highly relevant global experience with professional skills development and cultural immersion.
- **Work** with Kenyan colleagues and develop your intercultural communication skills, confidence and adaptability.
- **Gain** new insight through a unique African perspective on development and nation building.
- **Learn** about Kenya's role as East African powerhouse.
- **Broaden** your personal and professional network, and build lasting international friendships.



AT A GLANCE

Location:

Nairobi, Naivasha, Bomet (Kenya)

Dates:

- Flexible year-round (at least 4 weeks)

Fees - custom (year-round):

- 4 weeks: US \$2,390

- Every additional week: US \$390

Academic credits available from The College of New Jersey at an extra fee

(1 credit per 50h)

Enrollment Requirements

Students should have already acquired a theoretical foundation and preferably a practical skill set in their discipline. To be eligible to apply for this course, students can be enrolled in **any major and minor**. Enrollment is generally reserved for juniors, seniors and graduate students, or by consent of the faculty sponsor. Professionals are welcome to apply for participation without credits.

Course Requirements & Student Evaluation

- Course participation and engagement (40%)
- Weekly reflective journal or blog (15%)
- Internship report (15%)
- Essay relating to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (30%)

Faculty Sponsor: Esther Mbau, BPsych

Esther, a Kenyan native, is the **Faculty Sponsor for our internships courses in Kenya**. She is a counselling psychologist and professional trainer by profession and coordinated a regional counseling center and training institute prior to joining GEI. She is known in Kenya due to various TV appearances on national TV stations NTV and K24, where she offers professional views on issues such as effective parenting, dealing with trauma, loss & grief, and sexual abuse issues.



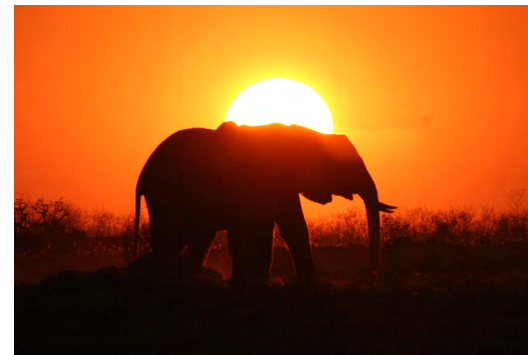
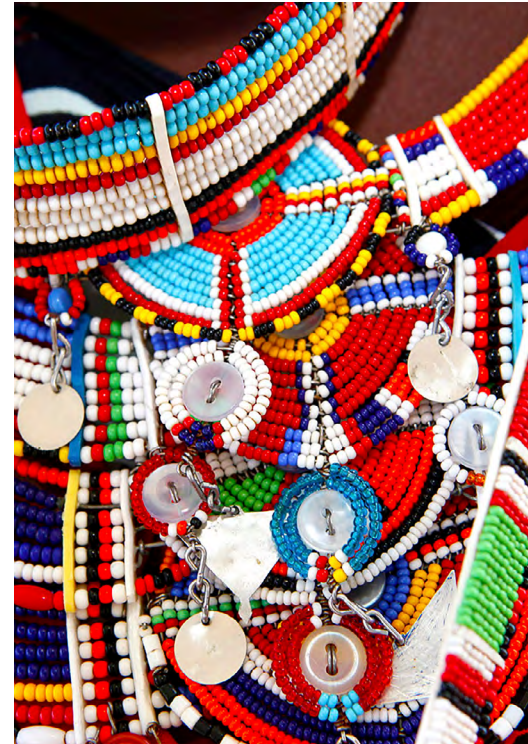
Location

The course gateway in Kenya is **Nairobi**, Kenya's capital and the undisputed powerhouse of East Africa. Placements are typically located in or around Nairobi and occasionally also in other towns such as Naivasha or Bomet. Students live either in a host family or at a local guesthouse.

What's included in the Course Fees

Fees include the placement and supervision at a host organization, pre-placement orientation, weekly interdisciplinary training session, weekly meeting with the internship supervisor, arrival day airport meet and greet, accommodation either in a host family (with breakfast and up to 5 dinners per week) or at a local guesthouse (with breakfast), and 24/7 emergency support by GEI staff.

Not included are the transportation to/from the destination airport (including international airfare and taxes), visas, immunizations, health insurance, transportation and meals outside of the orientation days and the homestays, personal expenses and other extras, and the academic credits.



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