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Enseña Perú

Lima, Peru

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Enseña Perú (EPE) is a non-profit civil association that has been working towards achieving high-quality education in Peru since 2009. EPE seeks to create synergies between students, parents, and their communities in order to impact and inspire local authorities to provide leadership in education and social development sectors. EPE is leading a movement of Peruvians who, through collective leadership seek to ensure that at least 8 out of every 10 children and youth in Peru receive excellent education by 2032. Through its programs, Enseña Perú seeks to reduce educational gaps and enhance student learning through academic development and socio-emotional skills. Enseña Perú hopes to create environments that foster collective leadership through mutual listening, connection, and motivation. This work will generate open structures based on relationships of trust between various stakeholders in this movement in favor of education.

Enseña Perú is currently working in 12 regions of the country in coordination with local and national authorities, mainly in rural areas.

Internship title:

- Project Intern

Description of position:

- An internship with Enseña Perú will provide students with the opportunity to engage with broad-level social policy issues through the work of a national non-profit organization that engages with global ideas and models through individuals' work in local communities. An intern would be expected to contribute to Enseña Perú's mission by completing projects that are co-determined through discussions with the organization's leadership, based on current needs and on the intern's interests.
- Projects may include (but are not limited to): helping to develop reports and represent information in accessible and engaging ways for diverse audiences (including governments, local communities, and others); translating information to non-Spanish-speaking populations; developing materials and providing training in English language to PEP teachers for use in their classrooms; conducting research on education-related academic literature to outline best practices and issues of importance, both within Peru and internationally. Goals for the intern's experience will be defined and evaluated throughout the internship period.
- The intern will have the freedom and independence to distribute their time according to the project to which they are assigned and the coordination with their team. His/her work will be objectives oriented and not with a specific schedule.



- **What can an intern expect to learn?** This internship will require developing a sense of adaptability due to the temporary changes that usually characterize the Peruvian education system, as well as teamwork, resilience, commitment and excellence.

Preferred qualifications:

- Students should have strong interests in education policy and practices, and they should be committed to working to reduce social inequalities. Previous study of/experience with education systems and/or community development practices would be beneficial.
- Interns must be highly independent and self-motivated so they can successfully complete projects as assigned and as established by themselves.
- Strong communication skills (both written and spoken) are essential, while expertise with graphic design would be an asset.
- Students must be flexible and willing to contribute to the organization in whatever ways are most useful as needs arise.

Language:

- Working knowledge of Spanish is highly preferred, as this will facilitate interactions with non-English speakers and ease navigation of daily life in the city.

Dates and timings:

- Summer 2020, exact dates to be determined in consultation with Enseña Perú, 10-12 weeks strongly preferred.

Number of positions offered:

- Up to two

Support:

- Enseña Perú will cover the costs of work-related travel.
- Daily amenities at the office, such as coffee, will be provided.
- Staff may offer general advice about housing and transportation.

Pre-internship preparation requirements:

- Interns must discuss their interests and ideas for projects with Enseña Perú leaders prior to their arrival in Lima. Background research may be determined to be necessary.
- If interns' Spanish skills have not been used for a while, they are expected to engage in activities to brush up.

Additional information:

- If under their care, you must have your parents/guardian's permission to apply for this position before submitting an application.



Previous interns' reflections:

Working as a Global Intern [at Enseña Perú] was an extremely rewarding experience. Having the opportunity to work with such a revered organization and to be directly involved in the process of creating a new student leadership program was unprecedented. I'm so grateful to have worked for an organization that emphasizes the importance of student voice and empowers its staff to believe changing the education system #esposible. I hope to continue my connection with the work I started and people I met for many years to come.

~KALEA OBERMEYER



My internship with Enseña Perú gave me the opportunity to engage with social issues at a local and national level. From visiting schools, conversing with Ministry of Education officials, and attending a UNESCO presentation on violence that immigrants face, I had the chance to learn from and work with people who are making a difference in Peru. On weekends, I traveled to Cusco to hike Rainbow Mountain and visit Machu Picchu, traveled down the coast to see the volcanoes of Arequipa, and enjoyed walks along the cliffs overlooking the ocean in Miraflores. Enseña Perú is a dynamic organization that believes in the power of working together to create positive change, and it is a joy to be part of their movement.

~BLAIR SMITH