

## African Indigenous Women Organization- Central African Network (AIWO-CAN)

Yaoundé, Cameroon



Applications  
due: April 1

[African Indigenous Women Organization- Central African Network \(AIWO-CAN\)](#) is an apolitical NGO created by indigenous women leaders from the Central African sub-region over two decades ago. We seek to enhance the socio-economic capacities of women/girls from indigenous and local communities to help them fully engage with and practice their civil, political, environmental, and human rights.

At present, the organization is initiating projects related to sexual and reproductive health education, civic rights and responsibilities education, and economic empowerment of females with disabilities.

Read more [about AIWO-CAN's Secretary General, Aehshatou Manu](#).

*This Virtual Global Internship is offered through a partnership between UVA's International Studies Office/Global Internships and the Presidential Precinct. The Presidential Precinct has proudly hosted Mandela Washington Fellows in Charlottesville since 2014. Mandela Washington Fellows are accomplished young leaders from every country in Sub-Saharan Africa. A fellowship alumna/us will serve as host and mentor of this unique Virtual Global Internship.*

### Description of internship:

AIWO-CAN is seeking UVA interns to engage in diverse activities related to the projects listed above, including: research, fundraising support, social media, communication, program development, creation of training/educational materials, and grantwriting. The intern's work will play an important role in raising the visibility of AIWO-CAN's efforts and enriching its mission.

*What can an intern expect to learn in this internship?:* Student-interns will have the opportunity to develop skills related to project management, advocacy, and leadership capacity-building.

## Preferred qualifications:

*\*\*UVA requirement: All candidates must be in good academic and disciplinary standing.\*\**

- An ideal candidate for this position would have some previous knowledge of or be actively learning about women's issues and development studies.
- Previous experience with fundraising, grant-writing, social media management, communications, and/or project management would be highly appreciated.
- Students should be interested in learning as much as they can about the region- its peoples, its cultures, and its particular conditions.
- Candidates must have the strong motivation to work in diverse teams and across language barriers, if necessary, to facilitate projects in an inclusive and cooperative manner.
- Interns must be highly independent and self-motivated so they can successfully complete projects as assigned and as established by themselves.
- Students must be supremely flexible and willing to contribute to the changing needs of the organization in whatever ways are most useful.

## Language requirements:

- French and English are the languages in use at AIWO-CAN. Knowledge of both languages will be a great asset.