



Internship at IEPS - Brazil

Applicants should send CV and cover letter indicating their preferred project from those described in this opening to internship@ieps.org.br. Apply by March 31th.

Who we are

The [Instituto de Estudos para Políticas de Saúde](http://www.ieps.org.br) (Institute for Health Policy Research - IEPS) is the leading think-tank in health policy in Brazil. We are a non-partisan organization that believes in universal public health systems. Our purpose is to raise the effectiveness of the Brazilian universal health system (SUS) by bridging evidence and policy. We work in 4 areas: 1) research in health economics; 2) capitalizing health policy in the Brazilian political agenda; 3) providing technical support to Brazilian health policy managers and decision makers; 4) building a culture of health in Brazil based on health promotion and prevention. Our projects range from a municipal and federal legislative agenda to building state capabilities in municipal health, from using media to induce behavioral change for health to conducting rigorous impact evaluations of the key interventions in the Brazilian health system. For more information, check our latest [Annual Report](#).

The summer internship program

Our 2023 summer internship program will select graduate students in public policy, public health, political science, development economics, demography, communication and related areas to conduct research and projects that can improve health policies in Brazil. Successful applicants will be invited to work in one of our projects for a period of 10 to 14 weeks between May and August 2023. We are selecting candidates to work on the following projects:

- 1. Global Health Leadership:** We intend to become a relevant global player that contributes decisively to regional and global health discussions. To do so, we aim to achieve three goals: (1) influence Latin American and global health priorities; (2) secure international funding from leading grantmakers at the global level; (3) achieve a strong rating on think tank's international performance metrics. The intern will work directly with IEPS' Directors to develop a strategy to better position IEPS at the global arena on key health issues. The work will involve the following activities: (1) map think tanks and similar organizations that have relevant presence at the global health and development arena; (2) develop a benchmark of strategies implemented by them on key health policy issues; (3) map relevant funders to finance our growth strategy; (4) develop a proposal for a sustainable path towards positioning IEPS at the top of international think tank ranks and performing well on them on the long-term.
- 2. Communication and Health:** The intern will work with IEPS' Communication team focusing on the following objectives, which can be fine-tuned according to the student's interests: (1) comparing health policy coverage in Brazil and selected regions; (2) better understand the potential of interaction for IEPS Data (our data visualization platform) with key target groups and propose ways to disseminate the platform among media professionals; (3) analyzing the interactions between communication strategies and IEPS' public policies and advocacy goals, in order to propose ways to improve outreach and dissemination. The intern should be a master's or PhD student in journalism, communication or related areas, with knowledge of the use of metrics and visual/design communication. Intermediate knowledge of Portuguese, particularly for verbal communication with the team and for reading, is a must.
- 3. Child and Adolescent Mental Health:** The project aims to understand the relationship between child and adolescent development and mental health through analysis of administrative and household data. The intern will work with our Research Team, which specializes in health economics and quantitative data analysis. The results of the project will



contribute to IEPS' Mental Health and Child and Adolescent Health research agenda. Candidates must be knowledgeable of quantitative methodologies, R programming and/or Stata. Advanced English is a requirement. Ability to read in Portuguese is desirable.

Logistics

- The work can be performed **remotely** or **in-site**. There is a possibility of working in-site at the IEPS office in São Paulo, depending on the COVID-19 situation and if the candidate has sufficient funding to cover travel and accommodation expenses.

Qualifications

The Intern will be working on the project with a large degree of independence and autonomy.

In addition to the requirements of each project, candidates should also:

- Be enrolled in a graduate level public policy, public administration, development economics, demography, public health or communication program;
- Fluency in Portuguese is desirable, but at a minimum, the projects will require ability to read in Portuguese;
- Be able to work independently in a high performance environment;
- Be able to write documents that communicate evidence for a broader audience.

Compensation

This is an unpaid position. We offer:

- Authorship of projects and publications;
- Mentorship with IEPS' directors;
- Access to Brazilian specialists and experts in the field of communication, public policies and public health;
- Access to our databases.