

Internship # 14 – Poverty and Equity Global Practice Support to LAC Team for Statistical Development

Location: Flexible

The Poverty and Equity Global Practice, part of the Equitable Growth, Finance, and Institutions vice-presidency, plays a key role in supporting the World Bank Group's goals of ending extreme poverty and boosting shared prosperity. It generates knowledge and dialogue and supports operational solutions, focusing on poverty monitoring and statistical capacity building, markets and institutions, fiscal and social policy, and resilience to shocks and sustainability. The practice is organized into seven regionally-oriented units—EAP, ECA, LAC, MNA, SAR and two in AFR—each managed by a Practice Manager. The development and flow of global knowledge within the practice is facilitated through four cross-cutting thematic lines, each of which is led by a thematic Lead Economist. These are: (1) data for policy analysis; (2) markets and institutions for poverty reduction and shared prosperity; (3) fiscal and social policy for poverty reduction and shared prosperity; and (4) welfare implications of climate change, fragility and conflict risks. Every member of the practice is affiliated with, participates in and contributes to the work of at least one of the thematic lines. In addition, the practice takes the lead in two corporate priority areas: (a) Data for Goals; and (b) Systematic Country Diagnostics.

Duties and accountabilities:

The World Bank's Poverty and Equity Global Practice is seeking to recruit a talented individual, with technical expertise in measuring and evaluating poverty, inequality and welfare outcomes. The intern will support teams in the Unit working on understanding the root causes of poverty and inequality, as well as gender gaps, across various dimensions. They will be a core member of technical teams working on country level and regional tasks and will participate in a variety of training and dissemination events, providing an opportunity to learn about various technical and policy areas. The individual will be able to contribute their experience into the tasks they work on, especially to strengthen the focus on inclusion and equality. The recruit will also be tasked with co-authoring written work, as an output of their internship.

The intern may also participate in policy dialogue and in discussions with development partners and will contribute substantively to ongoing discussions within the unit and with colleagues from other sectors of the Bank.

LAC Team for Statistical Development

The intern will:

- Contribute to the maintenance of up-to-date harmonized databases SEDLAC and LABLAC; operationalization of Shared Prosperity (dashboards, presentations to senior management, briefs, etc.).
- Contribute to the team's collaborative activities with other bank teams including: supporting the Global Poverty Working Group, calculating international indicators, gathering official data; updating the World Development Indicators and; distributing

micro-data to internal clients, such as DECDG (Micro-data Library) and PovcalNet, and providing support as needed.

- Undertake economic analyses to better understand poverty and equity in the LAC region as part of analytical products of the team.
- Creating and updating Tableau dashboards.
- Collaborate in other initiatives connected to the annual work program.

Qualifications

- The successful candidate will have a PhD or Masters in a relevant economic development and policy discipline, with a preference for economics, statistics, mathematics or a quantitatively focused policy program.
- Technical expertise in measuring and evaluating poverty, inequality and welfare outcomes desired.
- Candidates with written and/or applied experience focusing on indigenous and/or afro-descendant populations are specially encouraged to apply.
- Strong writing skills
- Ability to work in English is essential, Spanish language skills would be an advantage
- Location of the post is flexible (remote work possible) for a duration of 6 months.