Introduction:

The World Bank offers Internship opportunities to highly motivated individuals. This allows interns exposure to the mission and the work of the World Bank and an opportunity to learn while gaining practical experience. The Bank benefits through individuals bringing new perspectives, innovative ideas, and latest research experience.

The Latin America and Caribbean Region (LCR) Inclusive Internship Program 2021 is a key initiative for the LCR Vice-presidential Unit within the World Bank’s larger commitment to combat racism and provide career opportunities for people from all backgrounds and ethnicities. The Program is targeted to highly motivated and qualified individuals from the LAC region, with a special focus on Afro descendants, Indigenous People and other minorities.

Eligibility Criteria:

To be eligible for the LCR Inclusive Internship Program 2021, candidates must be nationals from any country in the Latin America and Caribbean Region. They must be a graduate-level student at an accredited university or a recent graduate of a graduate-level program (Master’s or PhD; up to 2 years after graduation) and be 28 years old or younger. Candidates should have at least 1-2 years of relevant work experience (research, paid or unpaid internships and volunteer work).

Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English are required. Knowledge of other languages such as Spanish, Portuguese or French may be required if stipulated in the terms of reference below.

Terms of Reference:

LCRIP 07 – Environmental Specialist (Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy GP)

The World Bank’s Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy Global Practice (ENB) provides expertise, technical assistance and financing to help low- and middle-income countries manage land, sea and freshwater natural resources in a sustainable way to help create jobs, improve livelihoods, enhance ecosystem services, decrease pollution and increase resilience to climate change.

Duties and accountabilities:

The Environment, Natural Resource and the Blue Economy team in Latin America and Caribbean Region (LCR) is seeking to recruit an intern to provide operational support to the Caribbean Blue Program including:

- Supporting the Client to prepare for implementation of the IDA project “Unleashing the Blue Economy of the Eastern Caribbean” helping with the preparation of Operational
documents and analytical work related to natural resources management, fisheries, and marine litter by curating good practice examples, and

- Building an annotated library of blue best practice examples and latest scientific literature of relevance to the region, on topics such as fisheries, marine protected areas, blue carbon, blue finance, marine spatial planning, etc.
- Contribute to the preparation of briefs, notes, presentations, etc.

For this group of new interns, in addition to the substantive work program, one key collective delivery will be to improve the impact and effectiveness of the internship program itself through mutual collaboration among the interns, together with communications, human resources, and the LCR VPU Front Office. The expected outcome will be the comprehensive preparation for the launch of a second cohort, including the review and/or creation of our approach to attract, recruit, select, onboard and guide the right talent for this program that focuses on inclusion and underrepresented minorities. This is an opportunity for our first cohort of interns to make a tangible impact on the World Bank’s journey towards further inclusion.

**Qualifications**

- The successful candidate will have a graduate degree in environmental policy or natural resource management, preferably a marine or coastal expert.
- Strong organizational, research, analytical, oral and writing skills
- Ability to work in English is critical, and French, Spanish or Portuguese language skills are highly desirable
- Proven ability to work in a team and intercultural environment, with minimal supervision.
- Hands-on and action-oriented approach.
- Location of the post is flexible (remote work possible) for a duration of 3 months.

**Application and Selection Process:**

The World Bank will accept applications through email until 11:59pm EST 25 June 2021. Applications will be posted on an internal database accessible by all departments of the World Bank LCR Region. Individual hiring departments will access this internal database to further short-list based on their business needs. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for interviews. Hiring decisions by the hiring department(s) expect to be concluded between mid-July-August 2021.

Please send a resume and a Cover Letter to lcr_internship@worldbank.org with “World Bank LCR Inclusive Internship Program 2021 - ToR LCRIP07 and applicant’s name” in the email subject line.

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Individuals with disabilities may be provided reasonable accommodations to perform essential functions of the role and support in receiving other workplace accommodations. Please contact the Disability Accommodation Fund at disabilityfund@worldbank.org for further information and support.