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General

Background
- Global health is an expanding field facing numerous challenges, namely double burden of disease, limitation of resources, humanitarian crisis, wars, conflicts, antimicrobial resistance to mention a few. In addition young professionals are often searching for their own place in the diverse global health field with many opportunities and need guidance to find their own strengths and interests.

- Multifaceted inter-professional collaboration and mentorship is needed to respond to the global health challenges as well as to give assistance for new global health professionals starting their career

- Global Health Me provides a platform for interactive monthly sessions (in person, over the phone or via email) for junior and senior global health professionals to explore new areas of global health or a familiar area with new approaches

Aims
- The external aim in Global Health Me is to ensure the voice of the next generation of professionals in global health to be heard by connecting students and young professionals to more advanced seniors in the field.

- The internal aim of the project entail successfully connecting students and young professional with a mentor in their field of interest in global health for the purpose of career guidance and skill building in global health.

Organizations in charge
- Global Health Next Generation Network (GH NGN)
- Swedish Network for International Health (SNIH)
Student and Young Professional (SYP)

Responsibilities for SYP
1. Meeting with your mentor group (in person, over the phone, via Skype or email) at least once a month to discuss the modules and any other topics of interest.
2. Be knowledgeable in your field of expertise and academic specialties.
3. Use the modules and materials provided by the project team to facilitate the discussion and prepare your questions and comments before each interactive session.
4. Attend meetings with the team in a timely fashion. Anticipate your own time constraints when scheduling meetings.
5. Build a body of knowledge, ideas and resources around a focused area of global health and be prepared with questions and topics of discussion for each meeting.
6. Show your mentor respect by engaging fully in the process and in discussion.
7. Provide feedback to the GH Me team.
8. Complete the pre-, mid-term, and final evaluations.
9. Be attentive and genuinely interested in the members of the team and answer their questions.

Benefits of being SYP
1. Connect with experts within and beyond the fields of your interest.
2. Learn from seniors and leaders in the field about current global health issues and events that may be of interest to you.
3. Get career advice from mentors who have been in your position before and know about starting a global health career.
4. Developing partnerships with global health experts to help further their interests and develop necessary skills to be competitive in the job market.
5. Opportunities to gain volunteer experience and opportunity to start new global health projects and interventions.
6. Make contacts in your field of interest and explore possible career paths.

Timeline
- The applications are open between 28th of April until 31 May for SYP
- The mentorship program will start in August 2016 and end in December 2016
Mentor

Responsibilities for Mentors
1. Meeting with your mentor group (in person, over the phone, via Skype or email) at least once a month to discuss the modules and any other topics of interest.
2. Be knowledgeable in your field of expertise and academic specialties.
3. Engage the team in productive and informative conversation.
4. Attend meetings with the team in a timely fashion. Anticipate your own time constraints when scheduling meetings.
5. Provide feedback to the GH Me team.
6. Be attentive and genuinely interested in the members of the team and answer their questions.

Benefits of being a Mentor
1. The opportunity to guide and shape the next generation of global health practitioners.
2. The opportunity to give back to the global health community that you are a part of.
3. Engage in a teaching and learning relationship with global health professionals of all levels thus developing your own leadership skills.
4. Participate in an exchange of new ideas and fresh view-points in global health.
5. Recruit young talented volunteers/interns/employees that you can personally train for specific opportunities.

Timeline
- The applications are open between 20 April until 31 December for Mentors
- The mentorship pilot project will start in August 2015 and end in December

Contact
If you have further question regarding the terms of reference, please do not hesitate to contact us

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