**Application for ‘Future Leader Internship’ with Avoidable Deaths Network (ADN)**

The ‘Future Leader Internship’ programme with the Avoidable Deaths Network (ADN) is a voluntary position with a minimum commitment of six months and a maximum commitment of twenty-four months. The internship involves working remotely and dedicating a minimum of seven hours and a maximum of twelve hours each week to the ADN. Access to the internet and a laptop or a personal computer is essential for this Internship. Each Future Leader Intern will work closely with the ADN Presidents and Deputy Operations Coordinator throughout their period of Internship. Developing a good relationship with the Deputy Operations Coordinator is vital. Each Future Leader Intern should attend the ADN’s monthly meetings and fortnightly project meetings and deliver their assigned tasks on time.

Interns may be involved in supporting ADN’s six key areas:

* **Projects** change regularly and are related to our five key research themes: 1. disaster education, 2. maternal deaths, 3. direct and indirect disaster deaths, 4. snakebites deaths and 5. drowning deaths.
* **Enterprise** are ongoing: 1. Case Stations for Avoidable Deaths in India, Bangladesh and Nigeria, 2. ADN Junior Champion Magazine, and 3. Knowledge-Exchange Events for Avoidable Deaths.
* **Global campaign**, International Awareness Day for Avoidable Deaths (IAD4AD).
* **Avoidable Deaths Lab**
* **Operations** include: 1. administration, 2. marketing (social media, on demand), 3. resource writing (blogs, newsletters, bulletins, annual reports, outputs etc.) and 4. memberships (UNOCHA Networks and Partnerships Group Leading Edge Programme; UNDRR and UNOPS Santiago Network; and UNDRR Voluntary Commitments (VC) platform)
* **Institute for Environmental Futures (IEF),** University of Leicester

After completing the Internship period, the Future Leader:

* Must complete a feedback form and attend an exit interview The ADN team will utilise this feedback to help improve the Internship programme.
* Will receive a Participation Certificate. Also, upon request by the intern; a reference letter may be provided by one of the ADN Presidents that will furnish the interns participation and achievements during their internship at the ADN.

ADN promotes flexible working hours to meet an individual’s needs. The working environment of ADN is friendly, warm, constructive, guided by systems thinking, and assists ADN members to achieve set objectives and individual growth. The ADN working platform is flat and does not promote a hierarchical structure. Most of the core members of ADN work voluntarily, with everyone working remotely from different time zones and global locations.

The learning opportunities for the ‘Future Leader Internship’ with ADN are as follows:

* The opportunity to learn by working with multi-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary experts and practitioners;
* The opportunity to develop networking skills with a wide range of actors across many networks;
* The opportunity to gain new knowledge by attending ADN’s Operations (monthly) and Project/ Enterprise meetings;
* The opportunity to gain new knowledge by attending the ADNs and Leicester’s Institute for Environmental Futures’ Knowledge Exchange Webinars.
* The opportunity to stay up to date with information related to PhD Scholarships and skill and knowledge development courses or workshops delivered at Leicester’s Institute for Environmental Futures.
* The opportunity to develop writing and communication skills for social media and peer-reviewed platforms.
* The opportunity to make lifelong friendships with the ADN global team members.

If the Future Leader, in collaboration with the ADN Team, be successful in raising funds, they would be prioritised for a Research Assistant position for the project, for which the funds were raised. To apply for a Future Leader Internship, please complete the Application Form below and submit it to: <mailto:contact@avoidable-deaths.net>.

Please note that we are unable to offer more than five Internships each academic year. An academic year begins in August and finishes in July.

An underperforming Intern will be asked to terminate their internship as soon as possible so that the opportunity can be provided to others on the waiting list. Underperformance is determined based on an individual’s circumstances, such as, not delivering tasks on time, offering unfounded excuses for not being able to commit time, not attending meetings repeatedly, not having access to the internet to stay in touch with the ADN Team or their assigned mentor.

**Application Form for Future Leader Internship with ADN**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 1. **Name**: |  |
| 1. **Current status**: | student/ researcher/ volunteer [*delete or insert as appropriate*] |
| 1. **Highest qualification achieved so far:** | BA/ BSc; MA/ MSc; MPhil/ PhD [*insert as appropriate*] |
| 1. **Country of residence**: |  |
| 1. **Current employer**: | [*insert if relevant*] |
| 1. **Internship period applied:** 2. 6-months 3. 12-months 4. 18-months 5. 24-months | [*select one Internship Period. Extension of first internship period can be arranged in consultation with ADN Presidents*] |
| 1. **Why do you want to join ADN?** | [*Explain in no more than 100 words*] |
| 1. **Which area are you most interested in?** 2. Projects 3. Enterprise 4. Global campaign 5. Avoidable Deaths Lab 6. Operations 7. Institute for Environmental Futures (IEF) | [*select one research theme, explain in no more than 100 words*] |
| 1. **What can you give to the area you have selected?** | [*Explain in no more than 100 words*] |
| 1. **Do you perceive yourself as a ‘Future Leader’?** 2. If yes, why and how can ADN’s networking project help to develop your Future Leader skillsets? 3. If no, why? 4. If unsure, why? | *[Explain in no more than 100 words]* |