

# Opportunities for international work on nursing and midwifery in WHO



## 1. Background

WHO offers a number of opportunities for graduate students and outstanding nurse or midwife leaders to be involved in global health particularly in the areas of healthy policy, health system strengthening through primary health care approach, research, practice and education of health personnel for nursing and midwifery services.

## 2. Internship

The program provides interns the opportunity to learn more about the World Health Organization as a whole as well as the role of nursing and midwifery at the WHO. It is open to graduate students who are finishing their programme from an accredited school. The internship is for a duration of 8 weeks. Individuals who meet the eligibility criteria may apply for the internship. WHO's general intern guidelines are applicable:

<http://www.who.int/employment/internship/en/>.

## 3. Nurse or midwife scholar programme

The programme is designed for outstanding nurse or midwife leaders to actively participate in development of health policy and normative tools and models on nursing and midwifery services at the global level. It offers a programme of intensive orientation of work on nursing and midwifery in WHO. The programme is open to individuals with extensive experience and skills in identifying issues of special policy and strategic importance. Eligible scholars include senior leaders in education, practice, research and policy. The programme is offered for a period of 3 months.

### 3.1 Resources

WHO does not provide resources to support individuals qualifying for the internship or scholar programs except health insurance.

## 4. Work area openings

The areas of work are consistent with the Office of Nursing and Midwifery focus. These are:

- Nursing and Midwifery advocacy and policy tools
- Nursing and midwifery faculty development
- Contributions of nursing and midwifery services in health systems strengthening
- Integrated planning of human resources for health
- Primary Health Care
- Nursing and midwifery leadership
- Partnerships Models