



Intern (Unpaid) Terms of Reference

Organization: UNESCO Bangkok, Asia-Pacific Regional Bureau for Education

Unit: Section for Inclusive Quality Education (IQE)

Duration: 6 months¹

Start: As soon as possible

Application Deadline: 30 March 2021 by midnight Paris Time

Ref: QE/NEQMAP/STEM/2021

Programme background

The Section for Inclusive Quality Education (IQE) is one of the two education sections of UNESCO Bangkok that aims to enhance UNESCO Member States' capacity to provide equitable, inclusive and quality basic education for all in the Asia-Pacific region. IQE is responsible for six programme areas, namely (i) Education 2030 regional coordination, (ii) education planning and finance, (iii) basic education from early childhood to the secondary level, (iv) inclusive education and gender equality, (v) quality of education, and (vi) HIV prevention and health promotion.

The Quality of Education team focuses on the quality and relevance of teaching and learning, as well as learning outcomes. This includes programmatic work on competency-based learning, curriculum, pedagogy, and particularly learning assessment (of both cognitive and non-cognitive outcomes). Thematic programmes and projects include: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education, Global Citizenship Education (GCED), Education for Sustainable Development (ESD), curriculum development and reform, learner and teacher well-being, and learning assessment. The QE team serves as the secretariat for the Network on Education Quality Monitoring in the Asia-Pacific (NEQMAP), and the Asia-Pacific Regional Global Citizenship Education Network.

In line with UNESCO's global strategy, IQE is emphasizing gender mainstreaming in all of its programmes.

Main tasks and assignments

Under the supervision of the Chief, Section for Inclusive Quality Education (IQE) at UNESCO Bangkok, and daily guidance by the thematic programme specialist, the intern will provide support to ongoing education programmes of the Quality of Education Team, specifically related to monitoring learning outcomes and competency-based learning, as well as be involved in a range of IQE work. Specific tasks foreseen include the following:

¹ Please note that due to office guidelines, interns are not permitted to apply for a paid position within UNESCO Bangkok prior to the lapse of six months following the completion of their internship.

1. Support the implementation of activities of the Network on Education Quality Monitoring in the Asia-Pacific (NEQMAP), and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education, including:
 - Assist the production of reports, research and presentations, and relevant advocacy materials;
 - Assist in the preparation and organization of workshops, meetings, webinars, seminars, etc., including communications and correspondence with partners and stakeholders;
 - Assist in the maintenance and management of the NEQMAP Knowledge Portal by gathering relevant resources, news, blogs, data, etc.; and
 - Assist with administrative and logistical support as needed.

Learning opportunities during the course of the internship

Following the completion of this internship, it is expected that the incumbent will:

- Enhance his/her understanding of education development in countries in the Asia-Pacific region, especially in the areas of quality of education, from monitoring learning outcomes and the various forms of learning assessments, to the inclusive, whole-school and holistic learning approaches that balance cognitive and non-cognitive skills, socio-emotional learning and academic learning;
- Gain practical knowledge on the role of UNESCO and its contributions to Member States, particularly in the education sector;
- Gain useful knowledge and experience on international and regional development work.

Qualifications:

- **For internship position**, candidates must be currently enrolled in relevant graduate/post-graduate programme OR recently graduated within the last 12 months from relevant graduate/post-graduate programme at the time of application.
- Excellent written and spoken English.
- Strong research and analytical skills, including data collection and analysis.
- Experience studying, working or volunteering in Education programmes.

How to apply:

Interested candidates are invited to apply via <https://en.unesco.org/careers/internships> and submit to UNESCO Bangkok Office the specific requirements as follows via email at iqe.bgk@unesco.org with

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- a cover letter;
- An up-to-date CV