



Policy and Advocacy Intern
Summer 2014 Unpaid Internship
35 Hours/Week

Landesa: Grounded in the knowledge that having legal rights to land is a foundation for prosperity and opportunity, Landesa partners with governments and local organizations to create laws, policies, and programs that provide secure land rights for the world's poorest. Founded as the Rural Development Institute in 1967, Landesa has helped more than 100 million poor families gain legal control over their land.

Landesa places special emphasis on establishing and protecting land rights for women and inheritance rights for girls to improve family welfare, nutrition, and productivity. With secure land rights, families can eat better, earn more, educate their children, practice conservation, and achieve dignity for generations. For additional information, visit the Landesa website at www.landesa.org.

Summary: The Landesa Internship Program is part of Landesa's broader efforts to increase the number of professionals who work on and/or have an understanding of land rights, whether in the land rights field specifically, the wider development community, the government sector, or elsewhere. The Policy and Advocacy Intern will have the opportunity to increase his/her understanding of Landesa's strategies and methodologies by attending project and staff meetings. He/she will also take part in periodic Q&A sessions with Landesa's land tenure experts, who can speak to land rights issues, specific projects, and careers in the international development field. Upon completing the internship at Landesa, the Policy and Advocacy Intern will be invited to join an alumni network comprised of previous interns and fellows.

The Policy and Advocacy Intern has demonstrated communications and advocacy skills; he/she supports the production of friendly, nuanced and audience-appropriate materials based on rigorous technical output produced by the Research, Monitoring and Evaluation (RME) team. The Policy and Advocacy Intern reports to the Director of Research, Monitoring and Evaluation and will work in close collaboration with Landesa's researchers. The position is ideal for a candidate interested in gender-sensitive and applied international development work.

Essential Functions: The Policy and Advocacy Intern will be responsible for supporting Landesa's Research, Monitoring and Evaluation team by translating its technical and rigorous output into clear, compelling and effective policy briefs, handouts, infographics, blogs, slide presentations, or other materials designed to communicate key findings to a diverse range of stakeholders.

Education and Experience:

- At least one year of graduate study in Policy Analysis, Public Affairs, Communications, Applied Economics, or closely related field
- Good foundation in statistical methods
- Experience carrying out gender-sensitive work preferred

Skills and Qualities:

- Passion for work that seeks to alleviate poverty and foster social justice
- Commitment to Landesa's core values of impact, respect, collaboration, dedication and learning
- Superior ability to communicate well in writing, orally, and non-verbally and to present complex concepts in simple ways
- Policy analysis and advocacy skills are preferred
- Solid foundation in research methods and statistical analysis
- Ability and commitment to apply a gender-sensitive approach in his or her work
- Self-motivated and able to set and meet goals
- Ability to work effectively with a team, regardless of role within team and to proactively seek ways to contribute to the team's success
- Rigorous attention to detail
- Flexibility and ability to work simultaneously on multiple projects

If Interested: Send resume, cover letter, and writing sample to intenships@landesa.org no later than March 15th, 2014. Please include "Policy and Advocacy Intern" in the subject line.