

**SERVICE LEARNING & LEADERSHIP
SPRING '07 INTERNSHIPS**

1. Student Name: Asma Bashir

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Brief Description of Internship/Project: My internship was focusing on legal research and restraining/protective order against abusive partners or in intimate relations. I shadowed DVCLH teams in court rooms providing guidance to the victims of domestic violence.

Name and Title of Supervisor: Joanna Roberts, Director Legal Services

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation: Asma has shown a keen interest in learning about domestic violence law in Hawaii. She has demonstrated a willingness to become involved in various aspects of the work done by DVCLH, including court outreach to domestic violence victims petitioning for restraining orders, and legal research. DVCLH has been benefited from working with Asma, as she has been willing to share her knowledge about the condition of women in Pakistan with her our staff. Through working with Asma, DVCLH staff has become more informed about the progress made in the USA since the 1980's to provide protection to domestic violence victims, and that she will analyze what she has learned to determine whether any of it may be applicable to conditions in Pakistan.

Total Hours: 112

Student Comments: It was a great learning experience in DVCLH. My colleagues and the whole staff of DVCLH very were cooperative and always ready to help me. I learnt about the domestic violence issues in United States and different prevention strategies such as awareness raising programs in schools and communities, legal aid to the victims of domestic violence and counseling services for teens/victims of DV. I was impressed by the quick court procedures and Temporary Restraining Orders/Protective orders.

2. Student Name: Sovicheth Boun

Organization and Contact Information:

Brief Description of Internship/Project: It was a Cultural Exchange Project. Basically, the

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project involved inviting EWC students and participants to give talks about their countries to elementary school kids at the PCDC and middle school kids at the ULS. The purposes of the project were to expose those kids to different places and cultures and to provide them with chances to speak to college students. Since I worked on this project with another student, Tony Siamomua, it was decided that I spent more time working at the ULS while Tony got involved

more at the PCDC.

Name and Title of Supervisor: Suzanne Acord, Curriculum Writer/Social Studies Teacher

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation: I am fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with Sovicheth Boun throughout the 2007 spring semester. He organized and facilitated a series of international guest speakers for my Global Issues high school class. Sovicheth has proved to be a responsible and dedicated project leader. He has consistently contacted me regarding the content and dates of the presentations. All of the guest speakers have contributed meaningful and relevant information for my Global Issues students. The combination of high interest discussion on culture, language and geography with multimedia tools contributed to memorable presentations for my students. My students have used these presentations as springboards for further research and discussions.

Total Hours: 50

Student Comments: It was a wonderful and educational experience doing this internship. In addition, the internship served to reinforce my insights into what had been learnt and discussed in the classroom settings. Honestly, I didn't particularly like the internship in the first place, but my interest kept gathering momentum the more I got involved with it. In a nutshell, the internship culminated in my personal, professional, and intellectual development.

3. Student Name: Gyanendra Chaudhary

Organization and Contact Information: United Nations Association (UNA – USA) Hawaii, www.unahawaii.org, 808-387-7271.

Brief Description of Internship/Project: It is an organization established to spread the mission of the United Nations through fostering a Culture of Peace, and nonviolent world and taking leadership roles for our future generations by collaborating with civil society and NGO groups to educate the community in the Asia Pacific Region.

Name and Title of Supervisor: Joanne Tachibanna, President

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation: Gyanendra has already been taking leading roles in YPIC, which was only launched on February 28, 2007 but I would encourage him further to:

- Continue taking leadership roles in YPIC
- Provide input to the UNA-Hawaii board.
- Spread the UNA message
- Promote collaboration in their respective fields.
- Contribute to membership growth at college campus and/or community.
- Assist in creating a speakers forum.
- Participate in workshop, forums in the community
- Have creative input in the organization

Total Hours: 54

Student Comments: It was an incredible experience working with people of different professions, age groups and yet coming together on a single platform to spread in what we all believe in – peace and remain united on the cause and establishment of United Nations Association and the positive contribution it can render to the world.

4. Student Name: Kelvin D. Gorospe

Organization and Contact Information:

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Brief Description of Internship/Project: Internship/project consisted of 2 parts:

1. **Exhibit Interpreter for our Edge of the Reef Exhibit** - Edge of the Reef (EOR) volunteers share natural history information on our outdoor reef exhibit, guide visitor observations and answer questions about Hawaii's marine environment. The training course covers interpretation and hospitality skills, and information on exhibit operations and various marine sciences.
2. **Coordinator of our Coconut Island Volunteer Enrichment Trip** - Kelvin organized/hosted our April enrichment activity. Aquarium volunteers toured the marine, research facilities at the Hawaiian Institute of Marine Biology (HIMB) on Coconut Island. Kelvin coordinated all of the logistics of the tour and scheduled presenters to share cutting edge marine research with our volunteers.

Name and Title of Supervisor: Jessica Souke & Dan VanRavenswaay

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation:

From Dan VanRavenswaay (Interpretive Science Supervisor):

Kelvin Gorospe always has such an easy going manner and a smile...I think this makes it easy for people to approach him with questions, or for Kelvin to strike up a conversation with folks in the galleries. His strong science background is a big plus for an aquarium interpreter. He can converse well with all sorts of visitors, from young children to visitors with a biology background.

From Jessica Souke (Volunteer Coordinator):

In a short amount of time Kelvin contributed considerably to the Aquarium's Volunteer Program, both as a weekly Edge of the Reef volunteer and coordinator for our Volunteer Enrichment Series. By taking the initiative to develop and coordinate our trip to the Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology (HIMB), Kelvin assisted me in launching an important program to enhance the volunteer experience and reward and retain a dedicated volunteer corps at the Aquarium. The trip Kelvin organized set a high standard for this series and also networked the volunteer programs at the Aquarium and HIMB. I was quite impressed by how Kelvin tapped into his passion for marine biology and connections at HIMB to create a valuable and unique learning experience for the Aquarium volunteers. He became the perfect liaison for the two organizations. The volunteers and I are extremely grateful for the unique opportunity his leadership provided.

Total Hours: 55hrs. (including time for coordinating the Coconut Island Trip)

Student Comments:

Not only was I able to share my knowledge about marine biology with visitors, but I also learned a great deal about the skill of communicating scientific information to a broad audience. It was especially fun interacting with kids, who were a constant source of inspiration for me due to their enthusiasm and creativity. Finally, bringing the other volunteers to the Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology was important for me because I really felt like I was helping to encourage dialogue between scientists and the public. It has been such a great pleasure working with the Aquarium as part of my Leadership Internship that I intend to continue volunteering with them even after the semester is over.

5. Student Name: Rakib Hossain

Organization and Contact Information: United Nations Association of the United States of America, Hawaii Division (UNA-USA Hawaii Division)

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Brief Description of Internship/Project:

The internship entailed a combination of tasks including attending UNA board meetings and providing inputs; helping to organize Young Professionals for International Cooperation (YPIC) events, e.g. happy hour discussions series; leading the Globalization and Sustainable Development sub-committee of the YPIC Executive Committee; and volunteering for workshops, seminars, and community forums. It also required us to research on the issues related to the UN and participate in the strategic planning process of the UNA-USA Hawaii. Additionally, promoting collaboration between the East West Center (EWC) and the UNA Hawaii, involving more EWC grantees in the UNA events, and spreading UNA message in the EWC and University of Hawaii community were our another major objective.

Name and Title of Supervisor: Joanne F. Tachibana, President, UNA-USA, Hawaii Division

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation:

Intern Rakib is doing an excellent job by taking leadership roles in the Young Professionals for International Cooperation (YPIC), providing input to the UNA-Hawaii board, and spreading the UNA message. I also appreciate his effort to promote collaboration with his field, assistance in creating a speaker's forum, and contribution for membership growth at college campus/community. He also participated/volunteered in workshops and forums, providing creative input to the organization. I hope he will keep up this brilliant job in promoting the UNA message and contributing to the overall goal of the UNA.

Total Hours: 50+

Student Comments: This has been a life long experience to work with the UNA, Hawaii that provided me with the opportunity to give back to the community, meet new people and create a social network. I hope to continue my involvement with the UNA in future.

6. Student Name: James Kelley

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Brief Description of Internship/Project:

Assist HSTC staff to recruit science and technology industry and institute leaders to attend a meeting, as part of the November 2007 Council of State Biotechnology Associations Summit in Hawaii. The aim of the meeting is to create a working committee of key stakeholders for the development of a strategic plan to structure and implement a pan US/Asia-Pacific regional partnership.

Name and Title of Supervisor:

Lisa H. Gibson

President, HSTC

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Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation:

“HSTC supports the Governor’s plan to build partnerships throughout Asia-Pacific...and one of its roles is to assist [science and technology] industry stakeholders in the US and Asia-Pacific to develop a strategy to lead expansion throughout the region.”

“James attended several conference calls and networking meetings with HSTC staff and continues to play a role in building momentum for potential stakeholders [to attend the November committee meeting]...Talking with local industry leaders and attending networking meetings, James has had invaluable exposure to those interested in reaching Asia-Pacific...It’s been a pleasure having James volunteer.”

Total Hours: 50+ (James will continue volunteering through November 2007)

Student Comments:

It’s been a pleasure interning with HSTC, an organization that is assisting numerous individuals and companies across the science and technology industry and supporting a future for up and coming scientists and entrepreneurs in Hawaii. A valuable lesson reinforced during my work at HSTC is the importance of relationships to achieve an objective. Without passionate and dedicated individuals who are committed to a vision and mission, shifting status quo would be virtually impossible. Lisa Gibson, Robyn Finken Keller and other HSTC staff members are committed to seeing a prosperous and growing science and technology industry in Hawaii and it’s been a pleasure learning about the local, national, and regional industry while serving them and their mission.

7. Student Name: Dian Mitrayani

Organization and Contact Information:

Ke Ola Hou Waimanalo

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Contact persons: Deanna and Daniel Gonda, Rolinda and Eldon Kohatsu

Brief Description of Internship/Project:

My internship group (aka. DURP Spring 2007 Practicum group) started this internship with facilitated participatory self assessment of the current condition of Ke Ola Hou as youth mentoring program in Waimanalo.

This assessment included an evaluation of Ke Ola Hou’s administration, its leaders, their youth, and its interaction with the community. The experience provided the students with an opportunity to put a number of planning theories (such as community planning, organizational assessment, empowerment, public participation, communicative action, mentoring models, ethics and ethical behavior, and capacity building) into practice. This internship also helped me to understand about servant leadership and leaders profile that used in youth mentoring organization.

Name and Title of Supervisor: Karen Umemoto, Ph.D., Dept. of Urban and Regional Planning

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation:

The internship helped to increase the organizational capacity and commitment of members to the organization as well as produced a product that helps to chart their future direction. Ke Ola Hou was extremely happy with both the process and the final product. They are inviting the students to continue working with their organization in the future.

Total Hours: 149 hours

Student Comments:

This internship and practicum was amazing for me because it gave me a chance to work with a wonderful grassroots organization to practice my planning knowledge and learn about servant

leadership in a youth mentoring organization. It gave me a valuable knowledge to implement theories into real life practice, and learn the obstacle. The internship and practicum showed me the true servant leader practice in Hawaii. This internship also gave Ke Ola Hou a great networking experience with similar organization through leadership conference, and creates scholarship opportunities for the youth.

8. Student Name: Ei Kalya Moore

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Brief Description of Internship/Project: It was a Project on Production of Educational Videos on Domestic Violence issue in Chinese, Filipino, Micronesian, Samoan and Vietnamese languages.

Name and Title of Supervisor: Dr. Tin Myaing Thein, Executive Director

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation: It is good that the internship is open to any project that the organization needs help in. It was a valuable experience since it forced my staff to prioritize their tasks and activities. We normally don't have too many interns but your presence was certainly a positive one. Your engaging smile and manner of team work really helped the staff to have a different perspective of their work. Thank you for choosing to come to Pacific Gateway Center. We will certainly miss you.

Total Hours: 55

Student Comments: My internship was a noteworthy and invaluable experience, enabling me to learn leadership styles of a contemporary leader, and to apply leadership theories that I learned from the Leadership Certificate Program, as well as to improve my leadership potentials. It was truly a service learning experience that I was able to gain insights into the needs and sufferings of underserved minority immigrants. It was an eye-opener.

9. Student Name: Tony Siamomua

Organization and Contact Information: Papakolea Community Development Corporation, 2150 Tantalus Drive, Honolulu, HI, 96813

Brief Description of Internship/Project: Coordinated the EWC-PAPAKOLEA Cultural Exchange Project

Name and Title of Supervisor: Adrienne Dillard, Program Manager for the Papakolea Community Development Corporation

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation: This project has definitely been a success. We've had an excellent start and it's so wonderful to see how much the children are learning. Their knowledge of the world and the different cultures that exist has really increased. Thank you to the EWC and to all of its students for their support, and for helping make this project a successful one.

Total Hours: 45 hours

Student Comments: I really loved working and hanging out with the children at Papakolea. My time with the children reminded me of my childhood years because I grew up with four younger siblings that I am really close to. I love the enthusiasm that the kids have for learning about

different countries and cultures. The kids have the potential to become the future leaders in the Hawaiian community and in the world, and I hope that this project has planted a seed in their lives, a seed of respect and love for people's from other countries and cultures.

10. Student Name: Constantinos Vrakas

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Brief Description of Internship/Project:

The internship included responsibilities such as gathering information about the organization's mission, history and projects and developing a new website that uses current web standards, is functional and visually appealing.

Name and Title of Supervisor: Dr. Kate Zhou, Founder

Excerpts from Supervisor's Evaluation:

Total Hours: 65

Student Comments:

While developing the EAFI website I needed to learn everything about the organization and convey it in an informative and welcoming package for the outside world to see. The website of EAFI is visited by volunteers, those receiving services and other interested parties across the globe, and as such must be sensitive to all those viewers. I learned about every facet of EAFI's projects thorough interviews with the Founder and some of the past participants. I was also sometimes asked to join strategy meetings. Overall it was an enjoyable experience that taught me a lot about creating an image for a nonprofit to present to the outside world and about issues EAFI is dealing with in China.