Fundación Escuelas de Paz

Intern Colombia is working in collaboration with an NGO dedicated to promoting a culture of peace in Colombia through education, promoting knowledge of Human Rights and strengthening youth networks, teachers, and schools. Since 2001, our partner has transformed the lives of more than 1,000 teachers, 25,000 children and young people, and has worked with more than 120 educational sites across Colombia. Their long-term mission is to create a Colombia in which there is a stable peace and social justice. Our partner is also part of a wide network of recognized national and international organizations that work in the field of peacebuilding.

Educational Model		
Website	http://www.escuelasdepaz.co/	
City		Colombia (South America)
Address		Carrera 17 No. 32a-34

Through education, promoting knowledge of Human Rights, strengthening youth networks, teachers, and schools, they aim to contribute to the promotion and consolidation of cultures of peace, coexistence and reconciliation, social justice, and equality.

Network of Schools and Educators for Peace: A strategy aimed at facilitating meetings between educators and educational communities in both a formal and non-formal nature via training activities focused on knowledge, teaching and learning methodologies for peace and Human Rights. Through this network, it seeks to provide opportunities for peace educators in Colombia and around the world to dialogue and exchange experiences that strengthen their theoretical and practical work.

Grassroots Communities of Education for Peace: Non-formal local peace education initiatives that integrate teachers, community leaders, parents, youth groups, government entities, NGO representatives and other community actors in a sustainable integrative-participatory process that seeks to identify shared needs and viable long-term solutions to respond effectively to the various forms of violence that occur in the same community and its various spaces.

Adolescent and Youth Development Centers: A training strategy and sociocultural action – via educational workshops - for the empowerment and integral development of adolescents and young people. They seek to strengthen, articulate and mobilize the resources of local government and the community, to redefine the territories, strengthen individual and community life projects and empower adolescents and young people as subjects of rights, producers of culture and development.

School Coexistence Observatories: A formal process of monitoring, preventing, and transforming conflicts that arise in school life. It is made up of focus groups that represent the entire educational community, the surrounding community, and municipal authorities to promote an interdisciplinary dialogue in the definition and search for alternatives to improve the school climate and educational quality.

Intern Profile			
Key Academic Areas	Languages (minimum requirements)		
 Anthropology Communications Education Law International Relations Politics or Equivalent 	 Spanish (Lower-Intermediate) English 		

Profile Description

General Skills & Knowledge:

- Profiles with experience or interest in Education, Peace and/or Human Rights will be positively received
- Proactive and diligent in their work
- Adaptable and flexible
- Resourceful and self-sufficient
- Pay careful attention to detail
- Cultural emotional intelligence
- Communicative within a team/works well in a diverse team
- Responsible and honest with team members
- Makes well-informed and responsible decisions
- Willingness and attitude to learn new things and contribute their knowledge

Description of Work

Intern position(s):

01: Education Researcher & Assistant

The Intern will review and assess educational materials used by the organisation in their workshops with children and teenagers in vulnerable communities. This will involve activities including, but not limited to:

- Review impact & results of current education model
- Investigate new teaching techniques
- Liaise & communicate with other international organizations working in similar fields
- Attending team meetings
- Support day-to-day tasks of the NGO administrative team
- Assist in the organization of events and attending events
- Possibility to travel to communities and participate in educational workshops, meetings between educators and educational communities, and training activities focused on knowledge, teaching and learning methodologies for Peace and Human Rights in Colombia

These tasks will be assigned as needed and to match the intern's interests and background.

Please note: interns will also have the opportunity to contribute any additional time, knowledge and/or experience to develop educational research projects, strengthen and promote the organization internationally (including international cooperation & funding), provide logistical support, produce & publish content in English, or propose and implement any initiative related to education.

Office Environment/Team Information

A grassroots-style NGO that is project-based and works with rural communities across Colombia. Team of 4 full-time and depending on type of on-going projects that can increase.