Announcement
Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Initiative (BIPAI)
Internship in Botswana or Swaziland at a pediatric AIDS clinic

Application due Sept. 2, 2011 (Friday).

BIPAI, in partnership with the Republic of Botswana government and the Princess Marina Hospital in Gaborone, Botswana, has two positions for Trinity undergraduate volunteers during June 2012 at that facility. Please use the following link for more information:
http://www.bipai.org/botswana/
Gaborone is the capital of Botswana and about 230 miles north of Johannesburg, South Africa.

BIPAI operates a central pediatric AIDS treatment facility in Mbabane, Swaziland with satellite clinics in Manzini and Hlatikulu. Swaziland has the highest rate of AIDS infection in the world. Mbabane, the capital, is 200 miles NE from Johannesburg, South Africa. BIPAI has two positions for Trinity undergraduate volunteers in Swaziland. Please follow the link for more information: http://www.bipai.org/Swaziland/

The intern will spend four weeks during June in the host country (winter time there). Room and board will be provided. The intern will be responsible to a clinic/hospital representative of the BIPAI program. The intern will develop, in advance, a program that will be adhered to during the internship. The program could be providing an educational games program for AIDS children at the clinic or collecting medical histories of AIDS patients. If supplies are needed for the outlined activity, the successful applicant will need to bring the resources necessary for the program.

Specifics of the program:
• Rising Juniors and Seniors as of May 2012 are eligible for the program.
• The applicant must have an overall GPA of 3.0; no major is specified.
• The applicant must be in good health and have the ability to withstand strenuous circumstances.
• The applicant is responsible for inoculations, passport acquisition, and Student Life clearance.
• The applicant must provide the names of three references who can comment on the applicant's ability to adapt to new situations, think and live independently, and demonstrate strong moral character.
• The minimum estimate of expenses to be borne by the successful applicant is $4,000, primarily airfare to South Africa and travel to either Botswana or Swaziland.
• The successful applicant will take a course INTL 2102 in the Spring of 2012 to prepare for the internship. INTL 3103 is required in the Fall of 2012 after the experience. Both courses are taken Pass/Fail. Additional credit may be granted in the fall term after the study abroad.
• Previous international or intercultural experience is an asset. International students can apply.
• Seriousness of purpose must be demonstrated for this Study Abroad internship.
There will be an informational session August 24 (Wednesday) at 4:00 pm in CLS 128. Closing date for applications is one week later – September 2, 2011. Notification of internship awards will occur by Sept. 15. The BIPAI requires a long lead-time to insure the selected interns have the best possible experience and that sufficient preparation has occurred. Tentative arrangements have been made with UTHSCSA for the selected Trinity undergraduates to attend Global Health preparation lectures at the medical school during the academic year 2011/2012. Applications for the program will available sometime after August 1, 2011.

This program has been facilitated by Dr. Mark Kline, a Trinity alum and Chair of the Pediatrics Department at Baylor College of Medicine. Dr. Kline has generously supported several undergraduate programs and initiatives at Trinity in recent years.