



Health Digital Collections Specialist

Internship title: Health Digital Collections Specialist

Organization: ASU SolarSPELL Initiative (Solar Powered Educational Learning Library)

Location: Tempe and/or Remote

Type of internship: For credit or non-paid; approximately 10 hours per week

Application deadline: November 12, 2023; applications will continue to be accepted and reviewed every week until the position is filled.

Start date: January 8th, 2024

Description:

SolarSPELL is seeking a digital collections specialist intern to assist in library development and maintenance of the health collections in the SolarSPELL library. In particular, SolarSPELL is seeking candidates with experience in digital collections. Ideal candidates will be pursuing a Master's in Library and Information Science (or equivalent degree). Previous health profession, community health, or health information experience should be highlighted in your application.

SolarSPELL is a global educational initiative at Arizona State University that combines solar-powered technology, relevant content, and local capacity building. We work to build internet-ready skills and improve educational opportunities around the world. Our offline digital library is designed to bring educational content to resource-constrained locations that may lack electricity, internet connectivity, and/or traditional libraries. The SolarSPELL library emits an offline WiFi hotspot, to which any WiFi capable device (smartphones, tablets, laptops) can connect and freely surf thousands of resources that are carefully curated and continually improved to meet local information needs.

The health collections of the SolarSPELL library include nursing and midwifery, standards of practice and patient care, Hopi Cancer Health collection, and our growing community health collection. Future developments will include ophthalmology, pharmacology, and HIV/AIDS collections for communities in East Africa (South Sudan, Malawi, and Ethiopia).

More information on SolarSPELL can be found here: <http://solarspell.org>.

This internship offers an exciting opportunity to contribute to improving the quality of health educational information available to students, teachers, and health workers around the world, whose facilities may lack electricity and/or access to the Internet. Your contributions will be brought to the field and used by health workers within months of your internship!

Interns will be expected to attend a new intern orientation. Ideal candidates will be detail-oriented, self-starters, and have a desire to work for a department that serves communities from all over the world.

Internship duties will include the following:

- Digital asset management
- Cataloging health-related digital resources
- Reviewing collections for weeding
- Identifying content need areas
- Assist in ongoing standardization of keyword library
- Work with other student interns for library curation and metadata tagging

Essential qualifications:

- Experience with digital collections
- Working knowledge of copyright and creative commons

How to apply: If you are interested in applying for this position, please submit a resume and cover letter to Cassie Barrett at cbarre38@asu.edu. All documents should be in PDF format and follow the naming style of [LastName_FirstName_DesiredPosition]