Sewa-AIFW Research Internship Program

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Now Recruiting: Research Interns at SEWA-AIFW!

SEWA-AIFW is excited to launch a new Research Internship
Program for undergraduate and graduate students, as well as high
school juniors and seniors passionate about community health and social
impact. Join us in advancing culturally responsive research that addresses health
disparities in South Asian communities—apply now and be part of meaningful change!

Position Title: Research Intern **Number of Openings**: Several

Organization: Sewa-AIFW

Location: Remote / In-person Location: 6645 James Ave N, Brooklyn Center 55430

Duration: Fall 2025 Semester; Spring 2026 Semester

Hours: 6-8 hours/week, flexible schedule

Compensation: Unpaid | Volunteer hours available | [Open to explore other

independent study options]

About Us:

Sewa-Aifw is a nonprofit organization committed to serving, supporting, and enhancing family wellness for the South Asian community, especially the vulnerable and underserved, in the Twin Cities and around Minnesota. We provide health care access, wellness information and resources, access to family violence resources and support, and elder socialization activities

SEWA-AIFW conducts community-based research to identify and address health disparities among South Asians in Minnesota. Through tools like the South Asian Health Assessment Tool (SAHAT), we provide culturally informed recommendations to improve healthcare policy, practice, and integration.

Position Summary:

We are seeking several highly motivated **Research Interns** to support ongoing research projects. This internship offers hands-on experience in all stages of the

research process, including literature reviews, data collection and analysis, and the preparation of reports and presentations.

The intern will work closely with senior researchers and community stakeholders and will gain exposure to culturally responsive research methods.

Key Responsibilities:

- Conduct literature reviews
- Assist in qualitative or quantitative data collection (e.g., surveys, interviews, focus groups)
- Help with data entry using online and software tools.
- Support the development of reports, presentations, and outreach materials
- Attend and take notes during research meetings or community events

Qualifications:

- Currently pursuing or recently completed a degree in psychology, public health, sociology, social work, education, or a related health field
- Strong writing, communication, and organizational skills
- Detail-oriented and self-motivated
- Experience or interest in working with diverse communities
- Familiarity with research methods (preferred but not required)
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office or Google Workspace
- Experience with data analysis software is a plus

Preferred but Not Required:

- Language skills relevant to target communities (e.g., Hindi, Urdu, Panjabi, Bengali, etc.)
- Experience with IRB protocols or human subjects research

What You'll Gain:

Practical experience in community-based research

- · Mentorship and supervision by experienced researchers
- Volunteer hours (if needed)
- Opportunities for professional development
- Potential for co-authorship or acknowledgment in publications or presentations
- As needed, certificate of completion or reference letter (upon successful completion)

To Apply:
Please send your resume, a short cover letter to Sayali@sewa-aifw.org.
Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.
