CENTRO DE INTERCAMBIO Y SOLIDARIDAD (CIS)

Position: Clean Water Campaign

Number of Placements: 1

Placement Site: San Salvador, El Salvador

URL: http://www.cis-elsalvador.org/

Field/Subject Area:

Open to all York students who meet the eligibility criteria

Position Description:

The intern will support the CIS campaign for clean water advocacy, education, and training on use of filters in communities with scarce economic resources. The intern will also accompany the CIS promoter to communities to carry out workshops and install filters.

Specific tasks will include:

- Helping to systematize information on levels of contamination of water in communities, the impact of CIS campaign in the communities, through setting up data base.
- Helping to facilitate workshops on the right to water, the link between contaminated water and health and environment.
- Doing community visits to evaluate impact of filter program and the impact of different filter systems.

Complete all tasks assigned, which includes but is not limited to the responsibilities outlined above.

Expected work hours: 8 hours per day, 5 days a week

Preferred starting date: June 1; it is strongly preferred that all CIS interns begin work on the same date.

Qualifications/skills required:

- Education or workshop facilitation background
- Chemistry or science background related to testing water for parasites, ameobas, bacteria, chemicals or other contaminants would be an asset
- Knowledge of general history and/or current reality of El Salvador

Language requirements:

English; advanced Spanish

Highlights of Organization/background information:

The struggle of the Salvadoran people for democracy and peace with justice has created strong solidarity on an international level. In order to strengthen people-to-people solidarity ties and contribute to the construction of a new El Salvador, organizations from the Salvadoran social movement and international organizations that have supported the process of peace with social justice, came together to create the Centro de Intercambio y Solidaridad (Center for Exchange and Solidarity).

The CIS is a multi-faceted organization, with many programs supporting education, organizing, and social justice. We are looking for people committed to solidarity and social justice to participate in our programs.