



Politics & Health/Health Systems & Economy (Internship/Traineeship)

Background

EPHA works to improve health, reduce health inequities, and strengthen the voice of public health in Europe. EPHA's [Politics & Health cluster](#) is focusing on ensuring that health is seen as a priority on the political agenda, particularly through a strong engagement of civil society. The cluster has also been highly involved in campaigns for the European elections. Furthermore, the [Health Systems & Economy cluster](#) is focusing on the resilience of health systems, particularly in this context of multicrisis. There, our focus areas include the healthcare workforce and its current challenges, as well as the economy of wellbeing.

For a real change agent, a capable, courageous, and motivated people are the key ingredient, which is what EPHA can rightfully boast about. Our professional, upbeat, vibrant, multicultural team creates an open, warm and inclusive working environment.

We are looking for a highly motivated master's student or recent graduate to join the Politics & Health and Health Systems and Economy clusters as a **policy intern**, who has an affinity for EU policy relating to our key focus areas:

- Civil society engagement in health policymaking, particularly by participating in the [EU4Health Civil Society Alliance coalition](#);
- Preparation of advocacy asking for stronger budget for health (i.e., multiannual financial framework) as part of the EU4Health Civil Society Alliance coalition;
- Addressing the challenges that the healthcare workforce is currently facing;
- Approaching policies targeting health systems with a wellbeing economy perspective.

Key responsibilities

- Support the Policy Manager in the activities of the Politics & Health Policy Cluster:
 - Participate in EPHA's advocacy activities calling for health to be placed high on the political agenda;
 - Support the collaboration with other civil society organisations on civic space, sustainable funding, and budget;
 - Support EPHA's role in the EU4Health Civil Society Alliance.
- Support the Policy Manager in the activities of the Health Systems & Economy Policy Cluster:
 - Support in developing advocacy related to the Economy of Wellbeing and Health Systems;
 - Support in advocacy work with members on the current issue of healthcare workforce shortages.
- Support the Policy Manager in overarching activities for the two clusters:
 - Support the communication with and the organisation of meetings with members;
 - Monitoring and carrying out desk research on relevant EU policy files relevant to the cluster – including drafting and sharing the weekly policy overview;

- Joining and supporting the Policy Manager in meetings with various stakeholders, including EU policy makers, NGOs and researchers.

The successful candidate MUST meet the following criteria:

- Master's student/graduate, preferably but not necessarily in an area related to (public) policy, advocacy, public health, humanistic or social studies;
- Maximum 1 year working experience; volunteer experience is an advantage
- Excellent English language skills, both verbal and written, to present and produce high-quality written outputs; additional languages are an advantage

Desired:

- Affinity with and/or knowledge of the functioning of EU institutions, policymaking processes, public health/public policy;
- Strong project management/organisational skills; keeping track of tasks; knowing how to prioritise; attention to detail; able to show initiative;
- Strong interpersonal/culturally sensitive communication skills to independently communicate with relevant stakeholders;

Conditions

- Full-time position
- Minimum duration internship/traineeship 6 months
- Internship unpaid/traineeship under Convention d'immersion professionnelle (CIP) benefit of 1200,00 Euros/month
- Professional experience in a multicultural organisation

Application process

- Send your CV and motivation letter to jobs@epha.org stating 'Politics & Health/ Health Systems & Economy Policy Trainee' in the subject line
- Interviews will take place: Virtually through the Microsoft Teams App
- Application Deadline: 1st November 2024
- Foreseen starting date: As soon as possible

We are committed to crafting an inclusive culture that celebrates diversity, and strive to be a Great Place to Work for All. All qualified applicants will be considered for employment, regardless of any aspect that makes them outstanding (including race, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, marital status, pregnancy, disability). If you need any accommodation due to disability or any other reason, you can let the recruiter know during your application process.