Terms of Reference – O3 Project Internship at UNESCO Malawi Office

I. Background

UNESCO's revised strategy on Education for Health and Well-being, provides the overarching framework for concerted action by UNESCO and its partners at global, regional, and country levels during 2022-2029. It builds momentum for UNESCO's work on promoting comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) and safe and inclusive learning environments and place more emphasis on the role of schools and education systems in promoting health and well-being. It also reflects growing understanding of the inter-relationship between education and health, which necessitates a more comprehensive approach to school health and coordinated action across sectors.

UNESCO is implementing the Malawi Our Rights, Our Lives, Our Future (O3) project in collaboration with the Ministry of Education to promote health and well-being among adolescents and young people in Malawi. The purpose of the project is to improve sexual and reproductive health (SRH) outcomes through increased access to high quality, age-appropriate sexuality education and sexual and reproductive health and services. In this regard, UNESCO's interventions include development/review policy frameworks, advocacy, capacity development of teachers, curriculum development, innovative digital platforms, and evidence generation.

II. Internship Programme

UNESCO Malawi seeks a national intern who will support implementation, monitoring and reporting of programs/projects/activities related to UNESCO's work on Education for Health and Wellbeing in Malawi.

The UNESCO Malawi's internship programme aims to:

- Offer an intern in a field related to education for health and well-being to enhance their academic knowledge through practical work assignments;
- Expose an intern to the work of UNESCO, and enable them to gain a better understanding of UNESCO's mandate and programmes;
- Provide the office with the assistance of a talented and qualified student, specialized in professional and technical fields related to UNESCO's mandate and programmes.

III. Duties and requirements

Under the authority of the Regional Representative and Director of the UNESCO Regional Office for Southern Africa and the direct supervision of the team lead for "Our Rights, Our Lives, Our Future" (O3) Programme for Education for Health and Wellbeing in Malawi, the intern is responsible for supporting implementation, monitoring and reporting of programs/projects/activities related to UNESCO's expanded work on Education for Health and Wellbeing in Malawi. More specifically, the intern will undertake the following tasks and responsibilities:

- Support UNESCO's efforts to facilitate delivery of high-quality comprehensive sexuality education that is gender transformative, evidence–based, culturally and age appropriate as well as youth- friendly SRH services for learners, adolescents, and young people (aged 10 -24) including those who are vulnerable such as YPLHIV and young people with disabilities
- Support the Team Lead to manage a WhatsApp Chatbot that provides teaching and learning resources
- Support the Team Lead to implement all activities related to the Early and Unintended Pregnancy (EUP) campaign including the popularization of the revised Re-admission Policy
- Support the Team Lead to monitor, evaluate, and report on UNESCO's work on Education for Health and Wellbeing
- Support the Team Lead to pilot an activity on prevention of school-related gender-based violence
- Support the Team Lead to implement activities to improve community and youth engagement in young people's access to comprehensive sexuality education & services

IV. Duration

The duration of an internship is on year.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

 A Bachelor's Degree in areas related to UNESCO Malawi's fields of competencies (Health education, public health, curriculum development or closely related fields)

COMPETENCIES

- Knowledge of the country context, with a particular focus on education and public health landscape;
- Basic knowledge in adolescent and youth sexual and reproductive health and comprehensive sexuality education;
- Strong technical writing skills on issues related to education and health;
- Respect for diversities;
- Strong capacity in communications;
- Strong interest in monitoring and evaluation;
- Good strategic and analytical skills;
- Good computer and other IT skills including excellent skills in MS office.

LANGUAGES

Excellent knowledge of English (oral and written).

Interested candidates should apply online at <u>https://careers.unesco.org/job-invite/17061/</u> by 8th December 2022.

UNESCO is committed to gender equality in its programming and to gender parity within the Secretariat. Therefore, women candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.