



MEMO TO PHILADELPHIA-AREA PROFESSORS, LECTURERS, UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Subject: Rolling out our Mentoring Program
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The Global Water Alliance [GWA] is a Philadelphia-based NGO dedicated to helping people in developing countries obtain access to clean drinking water and safe sanitation in accordance with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals [SDGs]. Since its founding in 2006, GWA has advised many students and NGOs with their projects and their research endeavors. GWA members and their networks are from many disciplines and many are associated with academic work and involved in consultancies at home and abroad.

Starting in 2018, GWA seeks to disseminate the collective knowledge of its cohort and will start a formal mentoring program for a limited number of university students who are interested in water, sanitation or hygiene [WASH] issues. GWA will begin this mentoring program with students in the Philadelphia region in the first phase. GWA foresees, pending constructive and positive feedback, expansion to include students worldwide. GWA Board members and/or GWA partners will provide advice, mentor-style, to selected students regarding their academic research or their field projects in developing countries. The mentoring process itself can be within formal university rules or ad hoc, by electronic communication or in person, and can range from brainstorming, problem definition, and research design, to editing and advisory aspects of publications and information dissemination.

Background information on GWA Board members themselves can be found on the GWA websites. Attached is the text regarding eligibility and the application process for the mentoring program.

We would greatly appreciate it if you can share this opportunity with students and colleagues who may be interested in this program. If you have any questions about this mentoring program or about GWA as such please send us an email or give us a call. Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

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