Nineteen University of Michigan graduate students from seven University of Michigan schools and colleges have traveled to 11 countries around the world this summer as part of the WDI Global Impact Internship program.

The students are working with private sector companies, global NGOs, social enterprises, and start-ups on a number of different tasks, including developing business and marketing strategies, implementing impact assessments, and improving vaccine and medical care supply-chain challenges in emerging market countries. You can watch the interns describe their projects here: http://bit.ly/1oFcABQ.

The interns are stationed in India, Rwanda, Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, Uganda, Tanzania, Ghana, the Philippines, Ethiopia, and Malawi. They come from the Ross School of Business, the Ford School of Public Policy, the School of Public Health, the School of Natural Resources and the Environment, the School of Social Work, the Department of Economics, and the College of Engineering. Here are the interns and their projects.

Amanda Aweh
ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS/ COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
World Vision International
// Rwanda
World Vision began working in Rwanda in 1994, as millions fled after the genocide started. World Vision initially provided emergency help to those displaced, and care for unaccompanied children, and then helped people resettle as they returned home. Since 2000, World Vision has been working with communities in Rwanda to find long-term solutions to poverty and injustice. As Rwandans are still recovering from Africa’s worst genocide of modern times, World Vision is supporting more than 2,500,000 people, through 29 long-term, child-focused Area Development Programs.

Amanda will participate in a lean implementation at World Vision, finding ways to administer services more efficiently and effectively.
Soomin Kang
FORD SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY
International Labour Organization // Cambodia
The ILO aims to promote rights at work, encourage decent employment opportunities, enhance social protection and strengthen dialogue on work-related issues.
Soomin will work on capacity building for ILO.

Saranya Chongrungruang
COLLEGE OF LITERATURE, SCIENCE & THE ARTS-DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
Community Economic Ventures Inc.– Vision Fund // Philippines
Community Economic Ventures, Inc. (CEVI) is a non-stock, non-profit microfinance organization, the Philippine arm of VisionFund International (VFI) and World Vision. CEVI has operated for the past 13 years in the Philippines as a key economic development partner to the poor by providing micro-credit, savings, and insurance to clients and in areas that the formal financial sector does not reach. VisionFund (VF) improves the lives of children in the developing world by offering small loans and other financial services to families living in poverty.
Saranya will conduct an impact assessment to see how the organization can use micro-finance to help victims of Typhoon Haiyan.

Tom Sargeantson
ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
SNV Netherlands Development Organization // Vietnam
SNV is an international not-for-profit development organization. Its global team of local and international advisors work with local partners to equip communities, businesses and organizations with the tools, knowledge and connections they need to increase their incomes and gain access to basic services – empowering them to break the cycle of poverty and guide their own development.
Tom will work with the organization on its inclusive business investment development.

Snehanshu Mahto
ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
Wello // India
Wello is a social venture with a mission to effectively deliver clean water. Wello has developed an innovative business model that empowers individuals to use the WaterWheel as an income-generating tool to lift their families out of poverty.
Snehanshu will develop a strategy for Wello to reach scale.

Jenny Simonson
ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS/SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
Baxter Healthcare // India and Indonesia
A leader in healthcare for more than 80 years, Baxter assists healthcare professionals and their patients with treatment of complex medical conditions. Information on our business, leadership and history are available here.
Jenny will be a part of Baxter’s business model innovations group, and will be looking into bringing the company’s products from the U.S. into emerging markets— specifically India and Indonesia.

Jessica Hill
FORD SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY/CENTER FOR SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES
Not For Sale // India
Not For Sale fights modern-day slavery around the world by using business creation, supply chain evaluation, and aftercare aid. By creating enterprise opportunities for vulnerable communities, offering social services to survivors and those at-risk to human trafficking, and evaluating the use of forced labor in mainstream supply chains, Not For Sale works to ensure that no one is for sale.
Jessica will research causes of child trafficking in Bangalore, India, and also conduct an impact assessment of Not For Sale’s project in the Indian city.

Carrie Wolfe
ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
iMerit // India
iMerit contracts with domestic and international companies for IT service projects, cultivating opportunities for these graduates to participate in the modern economy.
Carrie will focus on a growth strategy for iMerit.

Rahul Tapariya
ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
Simpa Networks // India
Simpa Networks is a venture-backed technology company with a mission to make modern energy simple, affordable, and accessible for everyone. Simpa has introduced a product and business model that will make sustainable energy choices “radically affordable” to the 1.6 billion base of the pyramid (BoP) consumers who currently lack access to electricity.
Rahul will develop new business models to reach new customers at the base of the pyramid.

Madeleine Hoe
ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
Krishi Star // India
Krishi Star works to end poverty for small farmers in rural India by giving farmers ownership of a larger part of the food value chain, and giving farmers access to higher margin markets.
Madeleine will help Krishi Star with its existing products and also will look to create new lines of products.
Jodi-Ann Burey  
**SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH**  
**VillageReach // Malawi**  
VillageReach improves access to healthcare for remote, underserved communities around the world. It partners with governments, businesses, nonprofits, and other organizations to improve the performance and reliability of health systems in the most inaccessible and isolated communities.  
Jodi-Ann’s tasks this summer include organizational development and capacity building.

Nancy Kasvosve  
**SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH/ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**  
**Addis Hiwot General Hospital – EM PACE // Ethiopia**  
Addis Hiwot is a private hospital in Addis Ababa. The Ethiopia-Michigan Platform for Advancing Collaborative Engagement (EM-PACE) is supported by the Global Challenges for Third Century grant from the U-M Office of the Provost. It seeks to address some of the most pressing problems identified by country leadership and stakeholders in Ethiopia.  
Nancy will examine business models that allow private hospitals to also serve low-income populations in the city.

Fred Denny  
**ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**  
**Clinton Health Access Initiative // Tanzania**  
The Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) is a global health organization committed to strengthening integrated health systems in the developing world and expanding access to care and treatment for HIV/AIDS, malaria, and tuberculosis. CHAI’s solution-oriented approach focuses on improving market dynamics for medicines and infectious diseases; lowering prices for treatment; accelerating access to life-saving technologies; and helping governments build the capacity required for high-quality care and treatment programs.  
Fred will work with importers in Tanzania on how best to distribute rapid diagnostic tests once they arrive in the country.

Ebony Pope  
**ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**  
**Land O’ Lakes International Development Division // Tanzania**  
Since 1981, Land O’ Lakes International Development has applied an integrated approach to international economic development that capitalizes on its 90 years as a leading farm-to-market agribusiness. The company uses its practical experience and in-depth knowledge to facilitate market-driven business solutions that generate economic growth, improve health and nutrition, and alleviate poverty.  
Ebony will develop curriculum for an incubator Land O’ Lakes has to empower women in agriculture.

Amey Sutkowski  
**FORD SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY**  
**Zagaya & JLM Pharmaceuticals // Uganda**  
Zagaya works to ensure malaria drugs are available and affordable for all, specifically artemisinin, its derivatives and ACT’s (Artemisinin Combination Therapies). In Uganda, Zagaya is partnering with JLM Pharmaceuticals, Ltd., a for-profit start-up company dedicated to increasing access and availability of infectious/chronic disease diagnostics and pharmaceutical products in fair, competitive, and innovative markets while emphasizing the need to empower customers to make informed buying decisions.  
Amey will work to better understand the private sector supply chain in Uganda as it relates to anti-malarials, and come up with recommendations to make the supply chain more sustainable.

Kedon Wilson  
**ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**  
**Sproxil // Ghana**  
Sproxil is an American venture capital-backed for-profit company based in Cambridge, Massachusetts that provides a consumer SMS and App product verification service to help consumers avoid purchasing counterfeit products.  
Kedon will provide a financial analysis for Sproxil’s Africa divisions, with a focus on branches in Ghana, Nigeria, and Eastern Africa.

Therese Miranda-Blackney  
**ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS/SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT**  
**Nuru Energy // Rwanda**  
With an enduring commitment to solving the global problem of energy poverty, which affects over 2 billion people worldwide, Nuru Energy has developed a one-of-a-kind robust and simple-to-use off-grid recharging platform, the Nuru POWERcycle™ pedal generator. The POWERcycle™ provides reliable clean, sustainable power anytime, anywhere and is hundreds of times more efficient than current solar-based solutions at a fraction of the cost.  
Therese will formulate a social media strategy and operational improvements.

Bryce Jones  
**ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**  
**Mango Fund // Uganda**  
Mango Fund seeks to encourage economic development in emerging economies by getting behind local entrepreneurs – especially those that are performing value addition activities within their countries. The impact investment fund provides both capital and advisory services to bolster sustainable growth of these emerging businesses.  
Bryce will work on business valuation and the due diligence process. He also will work with the portfolio companies to provide business advisory and consulting services.

Brock Redpath  
**FORD SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY**  
**Global Water Challenge // Ethiopia**  
The Global Water Challenge (GWC) is a coalition of 24 leading organizations creating a global movement of transformational change around water and sanitation. GWC focuses on collaborative learning, connecting leaders, and investing in sustainable, scalable and replicable projects. Our goal is universal access to clean water and safe sanitation.  
Brock will investigate whether microfinance can be used after some water infrastructure is built to see if this new access to water can be leveraged.