**Practicum Placement Opportunities in the Wheaton/Royal Thimphu Partnership Program**

n.b. not all internships are available every semester.

**BBS Bhutan Broadcasting Service** is the national radio and television service.

**Bhutan Center for Media & Democracy**’s primary function is to host forums, which often result in publications of the proceedings.

**Bhutan Trust Fund for Environmental Conservation** is a non-governmental organization dedicated to the conservation of the environment in Bhutan.

**Bhutan Youth Development Fund** is an organization with an emphasis on encouraging every youth to become a leader by giving equal access to education, meaningful employment and opportunities to develop their potential.

**Draktsho Vocational Training Center** for Special Children and Youth, is a registered Civil Society Organization (CSO). Draktsho’s mission statement is “to ensure young persons with disabilities in Bhutan have quality opportunities for developing skills for life and vocation, and for becoming self-reliant.”

**Faculty of Traditional Medicine/Institute of Traditional Medical Services** provides high quality, Gross National Happiness (GNH) inspired education in traditional medicine with a blend of both creativity and innovation. Working on development, research and the integration of traditional medicine with modern health care system.

**Jigme Losel primary school** won a prize from UNESCO in 2012 for its innovative approach to involving parents in school activities, and for providing meals to students who needed them. They have 835 students (through grade 6) and 32-33 teachers. Our students have taught classes and assisted teachers in a variety of ways.

**Kuzoo FM Radio**, established by His Majesty (King V) while Crown Prince, is a youth radio station, and seeks to have young people provide much, if not all the programming. Privately funded, it has been autonomous since 2008. Two stations, one in English and one is Dzongkha. Two of our students achieved some notoriety as popular DJs for the station.

**The Loden Foundation** is a charitable organization located in the middle of Thimphu. The two founding objectives of Loden are to foster education within Bhutan, and to promote Bhutanese culture worldwide. This translates into three areas: social entrepreneurship, education, and cultural preservation.

**National Biodiversity Center** has a range of programs, including: the Herbarium and Garden that maintain living specimens on site, and, for those with adequate scientific training, bio-prospecting, which extracts and archives genetic material. Their aim is to protect and preserve the biodiversity of Bhutan.

**National Commission for Women and Children** was established in 2004 as the national machinery to take the lead in promoting and protecting the rights of women and children in the country.

**National Environment Commission** is an organization that aims to protect the environment in the widest sense of the term for the well-being of all future generations of people and other sentient beings by preserving and managing the natural resources of the Kingdom.

**National Library and Archives of Bhutan** was established in 1967 with a small collection of precious and sacred religious texts. It aims to preserve important sacred texts.

**Nazhoen Lamtoen** is an organization dedicated to helping post-released children from the juvenile and rehabilitation center and other such orphaned and suddenly disadvantaged youths.

**READ-Bhutan (Read Education and Development)** provides literacy, health education, and empowerment classes for the mostly poor and migrant women who populate Changjiji.

**RENEW (Respect, Educate, Nurture and Empower Women)** is a non-governmental organization (NGO) dedicated to empowerment of women and girls in Bhutan, especially the victims and survivors of domestic violence.

**SABAH Bhutan** is a Public Benefit Organization for the promotion of the welfare of the home-based workers and their skills, providing them with better facilities for self-sustained income and generation of employment, thereby uplifting the economic opportunity of the home-based workers in Bhutan. Students have done a range of things here, including setting up a show.

**Yeewong Magazine** is “Bhutan’s only women and lifestyle magazine.” The motto for the company is “bringing her forward.”

**Institute for Zorig Chusum** is a school that trains Bhutanese in the traditional arts of Bhutan.