The FXB Center is offering new internship opportunities to Harvard students. Selected applicants will work in the field of community development in Barranquilla, Colombia. This internship will support FXB International’s FXBVillages program, a sustainable, community-based solution to extreme poverty and AIDS. Each FXBVillage delivers long-term improvements in health and education and provides economic opportunities to children and families in need. FXB Colombia began in 1995 as a pioneering organization working with families and children living in poverty and affected by HIV/AIDS. The FXBVillage in Barranquilla supports 80 to 100 families over a three-year period to access health, nutrition, and education, and to become financially independent through income-generating activities.

DURATION
- Summer: June 1 to July 29, 2016

FXBVILLAGE AREAS OF INTERVENTION
- Afterschool and vocational programs to support children and adolescents
- Income-generating activities for beneficiaries
- Women’s empowerment groups
- Health access and family counselling programs (Nutrition, HIV/AIDS, Early Childhood Development)
- Child protection assistance
- Violence prevention programs
- Sanitation and hygiene programs

INTERNSHIP TASKS
- Data collection, monitoring, and evaluation for longitudinal analyses of pre- and post-intervention data to assess interventions related to health, education, income-generation, and other activities aimed at reducing or eliminating poverty
- Independent research study (health, human rights, economic development, and education)
- Coordination and facilitation of FXBVillage activities
- Training and mentoring
- Community organizing and advocacy

QUALIFICATIONS
- Fluent in Spanish
- Knowledge of, and preferably practical experience with, program monitoring and evaluation and research study design, including methods and ethical considerations for establishing control or comparison groups
- Interest in incorporating an internship experience as part of a research project under the supervision of a Harvard faculty adviser
- Research interest and experience in multidimensional poverty reduction analysis
- Familiarity with Kobo Toolbox data collection software preferred (http://www.kobotoolbox.org/)
- Experience working and interacting with vulnerable communities

STUDENT LEARNING OBJECTIVES
• Gain an international understanding and appreciation of the work in community development
• Exposure to the roles and responsibilities of professionals in community development
• Observe and participate in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of FXBVillage activities
• Exposure to leadership opportunities
• Establish professional contacts and references useful when seeking post-university employment

Please send your resume and cover letter with two references to: Myriam Zuber, FXB Field Education Program Manager, at mzuber@hsph.harvard.edu.

BACKGROUND
The Francois Xavier Bagnoud (FXB) Center for Health and Human Rights at Harvard University works to advance the rights and wellbeing of children, adolescents, youth, and their families living in the most extreme circumstances around the world. For the purposes of this internship the FXB Center is partnering with FXB International Association, a non-governmental organization that was created in 1989 to develop sustainable, community-based solutions to eradicate extreme poverty and AIDS, with a special focus on children and women.