

Job Announcement: Research Interns (Urban Planning)

Organization: The Guwahati Initiative

Location: Guwahati, Assam

Duration: 3 Months (Starting September 1)

Stipend: ₹8,000 – ₹10,000 per month (commensurate with qualifications)

Positions Available: 2

About The Guwahati Initiative

The Guwahati Initiative (TGI) is a multidisciplinary think tank composed of academicians, researchers, technocrats, and entrepreneurs dedicated to addressing the developmental challenges of the North East Region (NER). By integrating rigorous research perspectives with practical expertise, the society study and evaluate development problems of the NER and find practical solution to them. Additionally, the society also aims to contribute towards enhancing capacity and skills so that the human capital of the region can be used for productive purposes in a sustainable manner.

About the Internship

The Guwahati Initiative is seeking two dynamic, analytical, and creative graduate or postgraduate students to join our urban planning group as Research Interns. Successful candidates will be hardworking individuals eager to contribute to various upcoming research initiatives aimed at transforming urban mobility and infrastructure. As a Research Intern, the primary focus will be engaging directly with the public to understand the transportation needs of citizens. This role blends rigorous field research with community interaction, making it an excellent opportunity for individuals looking to build a career in urban development, public policy, or transportation planning.

Key Responsibilities

- **Fieldwork & Data Collection:** Conduct extensive, questionnaire-based surveys and data collection drives among the general population.
- **Stakeholder Engagement:** Interact directly with citizens from diverse backgrounds to gather qualitative and quantitative insights.
- **Data Management:** Assist in compiling, cleaning, and organizing primary field data for analysis.
- **Research Support:** Contribute to literature reviews, data interpretation, and the formulation of research reports for the urban planning group.

Qualifications & Preferred Skills

Academic & General Requirements:

- Current Graduate or Postgraduate student in Urban Planning, Management Studies, Geography, Development Studies, Civil Engineering (Transportation), or a related discipline.

- A strong, consistent academic record with a clear research orientation.

Core Competencies and Experience

- Communication & Language: Excellent verbal and written communication skills. Candidates must be conversant in multiple languages (proficiency in Assamese, Hindi, and English is highly desirable to effectively connect with the local population).
- Inter-personal Skills: Strong interpersonal skills with an ability to engage empathetically and professionally with the general public.
- Prior experience in primary data collection, conducting field trials, or implementing questionnaire surveys is highly welcomed and will be a distinct advantage.

What We Offer

- Hands-on experience in real-world urban planning and public policy research.
- Mentorship from experienced researchers and urban planners.
- A certificate of internship upon successful.
- A stipend of ₹8,000 – ₹10,000 per month (commensurate with qualifications).

How to Apply

Interested candidates should apply through the following Google Form:

<https://tinyurl.com/3e3asyan>

Application Deadline: August 5, 2026

For more queries, please email to president.tgi2025@gmail.com or atanub1@iitg.ac.in