



BDCI 2026–2027 Internship Program - Call for Applications:

The BDCI program is a student exchange program between the University of Manitoba's Department of Medical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (MMID) and the University of Nairobi's Department of Medical Microbiology and Immunology (MMI). Three internship positions will be available starting in July 2026. Interested candidates are invited to apply for this competitive One-Year Internship Program, which aims to strengthen practical skills, promote interdisciplinary collaboration, and support career development in health sciences. Successful interns will gain hands-on experience by engaging in one of the three specialised research areas:

- Pandemic preparedness and One Health
- Mucosal Immunology and
- Antimicrobial Resistance.

Applicants should select two research areas and clearly indicate their choices in order of priority. Female candidates are highly encouraged to apply.

Program Overview

- Duration: 12 months (2026 –2027)
- Location: University of Manitoba and affiliated field/research sites
- Supervision: Interns will be mentored by Faculty and appointed supervisors from MMID and MMI
- Expected Commitment: Full-time

Eligibility Criteria: Applicants must:

1. Have recently graduated (within the last 2 years) from the University of Nairobi with a relevant M.Sc. degree
2. Demonstrate a strong interest in biomedical research
3. Demonstrate research and laboratory skills
4. Show commitment to ethical practice, teamwork, and professional growth

Application Requirements: Submit the following documents as a single PDF:

1. Cover letter (max 1 page) outlining your motivation and fit
2. Updated CV (max two pages)
3. Personal / Motivation statement (max 1 page)
4. Degree certificates and academic transcripts
5. Two letters of reference from a faculty member or supervisor
6. (Optional) Sample of prior work: report, poster, or publication

Key Dates

- Application Deadline: 25th November 2025

How to Apply: Email your application to dept-medmicrobiology@uonbi.ac.ke with the subject line: "BDCI 2026 Internship Application – [Your Full Name]"