Economics for the Anthropocene
Regrounding the human - Earth relationship

E4A Internship

Description:

All E4A students are expected to arrange an internship with an organization working in some way on applied ecological economics, with special preference for internships with E4A partner organizations. Each student is responsible for establishing the connection and clarifying their relationship with the organization. The internship experience should be for a minimum of 120 hours (145 hours would be the equivalent of a 3-credit course, and some students will be able to arrange credit at their home university for the internship if desired). The internship can be done at any time during the student's first three years with E4A (2 years for Master's students) and may be organized however works best for the student and the organization. The internship partner organization should also be asked to write an evaluation of the student and submit it to the student's advisor. Extra pay for extra work is allowed between the student and partner, and paid internships are also allowed, although this would mean that the project would not provide funding to offset students' lost earnings due to the internship requirement (if E4A were funding the student).

Student Output:

Each student must contribute *at least* one **blogpost** for the E4A website.

Formal output for the internship is a **reflection paper** on the experience (hours, period of time, supervisor/mentor), what they did, what they learned, the relevance of ecological economics in the experience and how they shared ecological economics awareness and expertise. Included also should be how the experience is informing their research, and suggestions for avenues where the organization can be more deeply engaged with E4A in the future. This shall be shared as an E4A policy document with the student's E4A supervisor and the E4A Project Manager; an E4A workshop may also be given, if appropriate.

Personal narrative (which can be included in the reflection paper) of four sentences to describe your internship experience:

1. What, where and with whom was the research / project you worked on?
2. What did you learn / what was surprising?
3. How did it / will it impact your research / thesis?
4. In your view, how did your work impact your host organization?

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