What does COVID-19 mean for global food security?

INTERNSHIP RESEARCH CALL

The coronavirus pandemic has not only impacted people’s health and healthcare systems worldwide, but also disrupted the global economy. The impact of a massive economic recession is likely to trickle down to fragile economies and vulnerable communities, exacerbating existing food insecurity. The Amsterdam Centre for World Food Studies (ACWFS) and Athena Institute invite students to investigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on food security. Questions that figure prominently:

- What are the mechanisms which affect food security under the COVID-19 pandemic?
- How can the full-blown impact on food security during (partial) lock-downs be softened, especially in fragile societies?
- How can overweight be avoided during the lock-down status?

We are seeking bachelors or masters students interested in conducting their internships at ACWFS or Athena on this subject matter. A wide range of topics and approaches can be accommodated (including quantitative, model/simulation, and qualitative methods).

To apply, please send your CV and letter of motivation (including research topic interest) to info.acwfs@vu.nl