

GLOBAL CENTRE FOR THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT

Internship Description

The Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect was established in February 2008 as a catalyst to promote and apply the norm of the “Responsibility to Protect” populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity. Through its advocacy, programs and publications, the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect acts as a resource for governments, international institutions and civil society on prevention and early action to halt and respond to mass atrocity crimes.

We are currently accepting applications for Fall 2018 (October - December). We will be accepting applications for Spring 2019 (January-April) from 1 October - 1 December. The internship is unpaid, however, we do offer a small transportation stipend. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume and a brief writing sample (3-5 pages maximum) on a related topic to Ms. Anna Samulski (asamulski@globalr2p.org) and Ms. Juliette Paauwe (jpaauwe@globalr2p.org) during the application period.

Responsibilities Include:

- Conducting research on country situations where people are at risk of mass atrocity crimes, or where R2P is invoked.
- Conducting research and compile information on R2P-related news and events, including tracking statements and positions of UN Member States, regional institutions and other basic policy research.
- Assisting Global Centre staff with advocacy and the planning of meetings and events.
- Providing assistance with administrative tasks including copying, emailing and providing summaries of reports as needed.

Qualifications

- Enrollment in an undergraduate or graduate-level university program in the fields of international relations, international law, social science, political science or other relevant areas of study.
- Proven knowledge and understanding of R2P and its application is an advantage.
- Familiarity with the UN system is preferred.
- Must have expertise in all MS Office Applications (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and Access). Working knowledge of Adobe InDesign and Photoshop a plus.
- Excellent written and oral communication, research and writing skills.
- Willingness to learn in a fast-paced environment and an eagerness to complete all assigned tasks.
- Ability to take direction well and work independently.
- Ability to manage time effectively and juggle multiple assignments with an aptitude for meeting deadlines in a timely manner.
- Attention to detail and precision is a necessity.
- Fluent in English; proficiency in French, Spanish or another official UN language is an advantage.