

Peacebuilding Program Intern for Africa and MENA programs

Start Date: January 11, 2021

Education Requirement: Master's Degree preferred; exceptional candidates with a Bachelor's degree will be considered

Employment Type: Full-time (preferred); 6-month term with possibility of extension

Deadline: December 1, 2020

Location: New York City, NY (preferred); possibility of remote

Position

The Global Network of Women Peacebuilders seeks a full-time Peacebuilding Program Intern for a 6-month period. The Peacebuilding Program Intern will take part in advocacy, research, planning and programmatic work primarily in Africa and MENA region, as well as in advocacy work in the other regions where GNWP operates and in global advocacy fora in New York. The Intern will work principally from New York City, and may be expected to occasionally travel with other GNWP staff to African and MENA countries (if public health guidelines permit) to assist in facilitating meetings and workshops, for 1-2 weeks at a time.

The Organization

The Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP), is a coalition of women's groups and other civil society organizations from Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Latin America, Eastern and Western Europe, Middle East and the Arab world—mostly in conflict-affected countries—that are actively involved in advocacy and action for the full and effective implementation of the UN Security Council Resolutions (UNSCR) on women and peace and security.

GNWP aims to amplify women's voices for a more sustainable and inclusive peace. To achieve this aim, GNWP engages in four strategies: "Full cycle" implementation of the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) and Sustaining Peace agenda by providing technical and advocacy support to develop National Action Plans, their costing and budgeting, implementation and monitoring; Bringing the voices of local women and civil society to global policy forums; Empowering young women to become leaders in peacebuilding and sustaining peace; and Ensuring adequate and predictable funding for WPS Resolutions' implementation.

Description

The Peacebuilding Program Intern will be required to:

- Assist in coordinating with GNWP in-country partners and support preparatory phases of country-level activities primarily in Africa and MENA region;
- Assist in the implementation of GNWP activities in Africa and MENA region, including attendance and possible co-facilitation of advocacy meetings and training workshops; and support to regional research and advocacy;
- Draft reports on the country-level programmatic work of GNWP in Africa and MENA region;
- Assist in preparations for the UN Commission on the Status of Women's 65th session in March;
- Communicate with network members from Africa and MENA region to support and amplify their advocacy;
- Represent GNWP in meetings and other events at the UN or those organized by the UN, Member States, civil society and academic institutions in New York as assigned by the Program Coordinator and/or as agreed upon by the GNWP International Coordinating Team;
- Provide support in the preparation of budgets, narrative and financial reports on various programs and projects related to the advocacy for the effective implementation of UNSCR 1325, 1820, 2250 and the supporting resolutions on Women and Peace and Security (WPS) and Youth, Peace and Security (YPS)

- Track policy deliberations on the UNSCRs on Women, Peace and Security; Youth, Peace and Security; Sustaining Peace; 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; CEDAW and other international laws, relevant to women and peacebuilding;
- Conduct research to support GNWP's programs and fundraising, as requested;
- Track developments on gender perspectives on global policies;
- Actively engage on social media platforms where GNWP is active (Twitter; Facebook; Instagram) both during country-level programmatic work and during regular work hours; and
- Work in a supportive, inclusive atmosphere.

Qualifications

- Master's Degree preferred; exceptional candidates with a Bachelor's degree will be considered
- Background/interest in global affairs, public policy and advocacy, and/or gender studies with expertise in Africa and/or MENA region;
- Particular interest in moving global issues to national and community level and amplifying the voices of grassroots women at the global level;
- Knowledge of international policies (and discussions) that impact women, specifically UNSCRs 1325, 1820, 1888 and 1889, 1960, 2016, 2122, 2242, 2467 and 2493 on Women, Peace and Security, and 2250 and 2419 on Youth, Peace and Security; the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, CEDAW; Sustaining Peace resolutions, and other related frameworks;
- Excellent information and communication skills, with attention to evolving strategies that bring issues on women, peace and security to the public forum;
- Stellar writing and research abilities;
- A self-starter with the ability to keep deadlines and commitments;
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team;
- Fluent in French (required), proficiency in Arabic or other regional languages an asset; and
- A creative outlook, enthusiasm and a fresh perspective.

GNWP will pay transportation costs of Peacebuilding Program Intern if working from the NYC office (if public health guidelines permit) and will also cover travel and accommodation expenses if the intern participates in organizing meetings and trainings overseas (if public health guidelines permit).

To apply please send cover letter, CV and short writing sample to internships.gnwp@gmail.com with the email subject line: Winter 2021 Africa Internship Application – YOUR NAME

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.