

Research and Advocacy Intern

Start Date: June 14, 2021

Education Requirement: Current or recent undergraduate in Conflict Studies, Human Rights, Women's and Gender Studies, International Relations, or Global Affairs or relevant experience

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

Deadline: May 21, 2021

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

Position

The Global Network of Women Peacebuilders seeks a full-time Research and Advocacy Intern for a 6-month period. The Research and Advocacy Intern will take part in advocacy, research, planning and programmatic work primarily in various region, including Asia, Africa, MENA, Latin America, and Eastern Europe, 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.

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 Research and Advocacy Intern will be required to:

- Provide support in maintaining GNWP's online presence on social media and in advocacy spaces, including UN and other international fora;
- Monitor and track UN Security Council activities on Women and Peace and Security (WPS); Youth, Peace and Security (YPS); and Sustaining Peace;
- Support GNWP staff in the Beijing+25 international advocacy and monitoring of the commitments to the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, including supporting GNWP as a Board Member of the Compact Coalition on Women, Peace and Security and Humanitarian Action;
- Communicate with GNWP members around the world and assist with online campaigns showcasing their work;
- 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 Communications Coordinator and/or as agreed upon by the GNWP International Coordinating Team;
- Provide support in the promotion of 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);

- Actively engage on social media platforms where GNWP is active (Twitter; Facebook; Instagram) showcasing both in country-level programmatic work and global events relevant to GNWP and its partners;
- Assist in preparations for the United Nations High-Level Political Forum on the Sustainable Development Goals in July, the 21st Anniversary of the UN Security Council Resolution 1325 in October, and the 6th Anniversary of the UN Security Council Resolution 2250 in December;
- Assist in organizing events and other activities in New York or provide support remotely in GNWP's program implementation in other countries; and
- Work in a supportive, inclusive atmosphere.

Qualifications

- Undergraduate studies in Conflict Studies, Human Rights, Women's and Gender Studies, International Relations, or Global Affairs (ongoing or recent) or equivalent certificate in peace and security
- Background/interest in global affairs, public policy and advocacy, and/or gender studies;
- Particular interest in implementing global policies and international laws at the national and local levels; to national and community level and amplifying the voices of grassroots women at the global level;
- Stellar writing and oral skills;
- A self-starter with the ability to keep deadlines and commitments;
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team;
- Proficiency in French, Spanish and/or Arabic language an asset; and
- A creative outlook, enthusiasm and a fresh perspective.

GNWP will pay transportation costs of the Research and Advocacy Intern when working from the NYC (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: Spring 2021 Research and Advocacy Internship Application – YOUR NAME

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.