



Job Description

Content and Research Internship (Federal Work Study) – Student Assistant II

Duration: As soon as possible – May 15, 2018 (8-10 hours a week)
Location: 72 Fifth Ave, 7th Floor, New York City or remotely
Supervisor: Associate Director
Title: Content and Research Student Assistant - II

Background

Equity for Children/Equidad para la Infancia (EFC), a center within the Studley Graduate Program in International Affairs (SGPIA), is a pioneer and leader in the movement for equity through direct action and support of initiatives and programs that advance the agenda of children’s rights and wellbeing. We work to advance equity for children by creating and disseminating research about policies affecting the most underserved populations and programs that raise innovative solutions. We engage with children and youth to help shape responsible future leaders who realize the importance of equity-focused policy for themselves and for society in general. Founded in 2006 by SGPIA Professor Alberto Minujin at The New School, the program provides a global knowledge acquisition tool for policymakers, academics, students, practitioners and all those working to better the lives of children in need. With a presence in New York, Buenos Aires and Mexico City, Equity for Children sponsors independent, critical thinking and debate, original research, teaching and events in person and through its websites in English, Spanish and Portuguese, encouraging shared conversation, vision and knowledge for all those involved in children’s rights.

In May 2015, Equity for Children (EFC) published the “Approaches to Equity” research report, the culmination of a two-year study that distilled emerging ideas about the concept of equity as viewed by leaders of international organizations, foundations and research institutions. The findings enhance a common understanding of equity, providing a framework for collaboration across sectors and recommending evidence-based action for policy makers, practitioners and researchers.

Scope of Internship

Reporting to EFC’s Associate Director, the intern will be working on the follow up phase of the research, focused on practical approaches to addressing urban inequities. The products of this research will be posted on the Equity for Children website. Tasks may include the following, and specific deliverables will be further identified:

I. Review of Practical Programs Targeting Urban Inequities

- Map leading organizations, foundations, and researchers working on programs and initiatives targeting child and adolescent rights and wellbeing at the local level, based on the equity approach
- Identify good practices of social monitoring and local action
- Prepare a matrix comparing the different approaches and best practices of the most relevant initiatives and programs

II. Expert Interviews

- Assist with the preparation of interviews with experts in the field of child rights and/or working on inequity in urban environments at international organizations, non-profits and foundations
- Carry out 6 to 10 interviews with researchers and practitioners
- Prepare interview transcripts
- Prepare summary of findings and posts for the Equity for Children website

III. Deliverables

- Video interviews of experts in the field
- A 2-3 page research brief mid-project
- A comparative matrix of findings
- A report of the project methodology and findings

Qualifications:

- Strong interest in children's rights issues
- Excellent research and writing skills
- Master's student preferred
- Verbal and written fluency in English and Spanish, preferred
- Technologically capable and social media platforms expertise with Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn, preferred
- Ability to undertake multiple tasks in a timely manner
- The ability and commitment to work for the agreed hours and days

This is a paid internship provided the applicant has been awarded a federal work study grant.

If you have these qualifications and want to make an active and lasting contribution that promotes equity for children, please submit a cover letter and resume to Beatrice Mauger at Beatrice@newschool.edu with the subject line '**Content and Research Student Assistant – Equity for Children.**'