SPRING 2016 POLICYMAKER ENGAGEMENT INTERNSHIP

Do you want to learn more about the field of peacebuilding and how it impacts U.S. policies? Are you looking for hands-on experience immersed in substantive projects? Do you want to plug into a broad network of peacebuilders in DC and around the world who are tackling today’s toughest policy dilemmas? This is the internship for you.

The Alliance for Peacebuilding (AfP) is seeking creative and entrepreneurial students to join its Policymaker Engagement (PME) program. As the largest U.S. network of peacebuilding NGOs, universities, and practitioners working around the globe, AfP coordinates with its members and partners across diverse sectors to bring the best local knowledge and peacebuilding solutions from our field into the policy-making process. We help build coalitions of overseas and DC-based partners, design creative opportunities to impact the policy process, and communicate the value of peacebuilding approaches to policy and public audiences.

Summary:

This spring the PME team will be working with AfP’s members, local overseas partners, and cross-sector allies in Washington to provide expertise in the areas of countering violent extremism, fragile states, the Sustainable Development Goals, and a range of other themes. The PME intern is a part-time (20 hrs/week) unpaid internship based in Washington, DC, and will accommodate a flexible schedule. Spring internships begin January and end in late May/June. PME interns will work as part of a collaborative team, and receive mentoring from senior staff. All interns can help create and realize effective advocacy strategies, coordinate with key partners, write, research, and organize events. We will also be working to increase opportunities for our field to communicate the stories of peacebuilding through effective media.

Qualifications:

At least 3 years of college coursework in a relevant field • Entrepreneurial “doer” who is energized by ideas and creativity but also by careful planning and problem-solving • Able to see the right strategy but also manage details • Able to absorb new information quickly and manage multiple urgencies • Thrives with people and as part of a creative team • Strong research and academic skills, especially writing • Experience in digital activism, content production, or marketing a strong plus • U.S. government or policy experience a plus • International or peacebuilding experience a plus

Application Process:

Please send to humanresources@allianceforpeacebuilding.org a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and list of 3 references; ATTN: Liz Hume, Senior Director for Programs and Strategy. Files should be labeled: “Last Name, First Name - Cover Letter” (i.e. Smith, Jane – Resume). **Deadline to apply is November 30th, 2015.**

Only applicants meeting minimum qualifications for the position will be considered. The Alliance for Peacebuilding is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes resumes from all qualified applicants, particularly women and minorities. AfP does not discriminate based on gender, ethnicity, race, or persons with disabilities.