External Relations Unit

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The External Relations Unit supports UNHCR in its resource mobilization efforts in securing and increasing political and financial support from the Northern Europe countries, who are among UNHCR’s main partners and donors, by providing political intelligence, risk management and public diplomacy. The ER Unit is a small and close-knitted team, and as an intern you will work on a broad variety of issues, liaising closely with the Protection Unit and the Communications & Public Information Unit at the Regional Representation for Northern Europe.

Description of Tasks:

- Monitor the political and socioeconomic context in the Northern Europe region and stay abreast of developments and trends regarding asylum and foreign policy issues
- Assist with government donor relations, including social media (Twitter) updates and writing web stories for contributions to UNHCR
- Assist with drafting reports on political developments in the region
- Assist with providing political intelligence, risk analysis and briefing notes to facilitate UNHCR meetings, missions and other events
- Assist with foreign and development policy and strategy analysis
- Compile and draft key protection updates from the region

Background:

- A degree or on-going studies in communication, political science, international relations, development studies or other relevant fields
- Fluency in written and spoken English and in one or several of the Northern European languages: Danish, Estonian, Finnish, Icelandic, Latvian, Lithuanian, Norwegian, Swedish
- Knowledge of asylum and refugee issues in the region
- Good drafting, writing, analysis and IT skills
- Experiences in the refugee/humanitarian field are an asset

APPLY TO THIS INTERNSHIP

This internship is open to applications throughout the year. The next available internship will commence in July or August.

Good to know when applying
• Interns may be eligible for funding through scholarships available by universities, or other external sources.
• Interns may also be eligible for unemployment benefits.
• You may also be interested in reading the answers to Frequently Asked Questions.

Prepare your application

Your application consists of two documents written in English:

• A 1-page letter of motivation
• A copy of your up-to-date CV/resume

Submit your application
Please submit your application via email, including in the subject line “Internship Application”.
Send your application to Katrine Steingrimsen, External Relations Associate.
DEADLINE 1 December