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VACANCY NOTICE

Education Intern, Education Section,

Division of Resilience & Solutions (DRS),

UNHCR Copenhagen

Title: Education Intern

Vacancy No: CPH/VN/2021/032

Duty Station: Copenhagen, Denmark

Contract Type: Internship

Posting date: 21 July 2021

Closing date: 04 August 2021

UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, is offering an internship within the Education Section in our Copenhagen Headquarters in Denmark.

This exciting internship is a unique opportunity for someone wishing to gain exposure to the leading agency on refugee education, and to sharpen their professional skills in a range of areas relevant to the headquarters function of an international humanitarian agency. As a member of the Education Section, the selected individual would have the opportunity to help support ground-breaking programmes that help enable education access for refugees around the world.

UNHCR is a global organization dedicated to saving lives, protecting rights and building a better future for refugees, forcibly displaced communities and stateless people. Every year, millions of women, men and children are forced to flee their homes to escape conflict and persecution. We are in over 130 countries, using our expertise to protect and care for millions.

Operational Context

Education is an integral part of protection for persons of concern to UNHCR, over 40% of whom are children. The Division of Resilience and Solutions (DRS), in close collaboration with the Regional Bureaus, the Division of Strategic Planning and Results (DSPR) and the Division of International Protection (DIP), is working on an integrated and holistic approach to support UNHCR operations and partners in implementing policies and guidelines on education, children, age, gender and diversity mainstreaming, community-based protection and solutions. In support of this, DRS provides operational support, policy direction, and strategic guidance to field operations.

UNHCR's Refugee Education Strategy emphasizes the importance of lifelong learning, partnerships, and learning achievement. The Strategy also emphasizes the need to increase access to quality primary, secondary and tertiary education. The most recent refugee education strategy, issued in 2019, positions refugee inclusion within host country national education as a global priority. The tertiary education team supports oversight and management of the global refugee tertiary education scholarship programme (DAFI), advocates to expand other higher education opportunities for refugees worldwide, coordinates with economic inclusion and other UNHCR units to enhance transition to employment and solutions prospects for refugees, and leads the development and implementation of the objective to increase refugee participation in higher education to 15% by the year 2030 (15by30). Integral to the refugee education strategy is the monitoring and successful realization of pledges made by States, NGOs, refugee led organizations, academia and other partners at the Global Refugee Forum (GRF) in 2019.

The Position

The intern will support the Education Section with a range of topics relevant to follow up on the Global Refugee Forum (GRF), tertiary education and the 15by30 roadmap and preparation for the High-Level Officials Meeting (HLOM) to be held in December 2021. The internship offers an opportunity to acquire the following:

- Knowledge of UNHCR's activities and approaches to primary, secondary, and tertiary education.
- Knowledge of UNHCR's education policies (including the Education Strategy) and their implementation in field operations.
- Understanding of the GRF pledging process, including reporting and monitoring.
- Experience with coordination of international meetings, report drafting, management of internal and external communications.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Support the preparation of the Education themed events as part of the HLOM and upcoming RewirED summit. Including drafting talking points, coordinating partner engagement, and producing required PowerPoint and social media assets.
- Support the updating and analysis of pledges as part of the GRF, including identifying gaps and areas for potential growth.
- Assisting the Education team to provide support to country-level programming and strategy implementation.
- Supporting the Education Section with advocacy and outreach on refugee education.
- Assisting the tertiary education team with the management of global refugee education programmes and initiatives, specifically including the 15by30 roadmap.
- Coordinate and manage the UNHCR listserv to update with new partner information and contacts for the GRF Education Alliance.

Areas of work may be adapted during the internship to better fit the intern's interests and profile as well as the Education Section's needs.

Qualifications

Essential:

- Be a recent graduate (completed studies within one year) or current student in a graduate/undergraduate school programme from a university or higher education facility accredited by UNESCO; And have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies in a field relevant or of interest to the work of the Organization.

The ideal candidate will:

- Have excellent knowledge of English (written/oral/comprehension) with well developed writing skills.
- Have experience in education, forced migration, development cooperation and/or humanitarian assistance.
- Have strong organization and analytical skills.
- Have excellent communication skills and can work effectively as part of a dynamic and diverse team.
- Have proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.

Location and Conditions

The successful candidate will be based with the team in the UN City in Copenhagen, Denmark.

The internship is for six months and it is a full-time role from Monday to Friday (40 hours per week).

The start date is to be determined in accordance with the measures adopted by the Danish government and guidance of UNHCR regarding the COVID-19 situation. Depending on the circumstances, there is a possibility the successful candidate will perform certain duties remotely and/or from at home.

Obtaining and renewing current visas and residence permits including all associated costs, are the responsibility of the intern.

Please note that the terms of internship, as defined by UNHCR practice, include the payment of a Food and Local Transportation Allowance (FLTA). In case the intern is sponsored by another source during the internship this will be deducted from the FLTA.

The written test might be included in selection process.

To Apply

Interested candidates should apply online through the [MSRP Portal](#) with a Letter of Interest

- **Job Opening ID 28517: Education Intern**

The UNHCR workforce consists of many diverse nationalities, cultures, languages and opinions. UNHCR seeks to sustain and strengthen this diversity to ensure equal opportunities as well as an inclusive working environment for its entire workforce. Applications are encouraged from all qualified candidates without distinction on grounds of race, colour, sex, national origin, age, religion, disability, sexual orientation and gender identity.

For any technical problems encountered during the on-line application, please contact the Global Service Desk at HQUSSD@unhcr.org by allowing sufficient time for the resolution of issue.

The deadline for applications is midnight 04 August 2021 (CEST, Central European Summer Time).