

Amnesty International Child Soldiers and Arm Transfers Program Intern

SITE NAME: Amnesty International's Human Rights Concerns

LOCATION: Washington, DC

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AGENCY DESCRIPTION: Amnesty International's vision is of a world in which every person enjoys all of the human rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other international human rights standards.

In pursuit of this vision, AI's mission is to undertake research and action focused on preventing and ending grave abuses of the rights to physical and mental integrity, freedom of conscience and expression, and freedom from discrimination, within the context of its work to promote all human rights.

AI is independent of any government, political ideology, economic interest or religion. It does not support or oppose any government or political system, nor does it support or oppose the views of the victims whose rights it seeks to protect. It is concerned solely with the impartial protection of human rights.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Amnesty International has recently initiated a program to help protect, rehabilitate, and reintegrate children associated with armed forces or armed groups. This initiative is aimed at strengthening the governmental and societal protections for, and providing direct relief and assistance to, children caught in armed violence, particularly in Africa but elsewhere as well. Amnesty's focus is on investigation, advocacy, and public education, and to help rehabilitate and reintegrate former child soldiers with their families and communities by providing funds to World Vision (WV) and International Rescue Committee (IRC). Intern responsibilities include providing campaign and advocacy support, following news media coverage and AIUSA's media response, helping create stronger web educational tools.

1. Indicate the number of days per week that you will be available for an internship, including start and departure dates. Also be sure to include the programs of interest.
2. Your writing sample does not have to be of any specific length or on any particular topic. It could be a recently written term paper, news article, etc.
3. Finally, it is best to submit all of your materials at once. An incomplete application will not be considered.

Application Deadlines: October 30 – Spring, March 15 – Summer, June 30 - Fall

HOURS: 35 hours a week, 12 week period