

Amnesty International Domestic USA 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: The Domestic USA Program focuses on monitoring human rights abuses that occur in the United States and formulating pro-active responses. This program works with regional offices, other AIUSA programs, and Amnesty activists to facilitate initiatives designed to hold the US accountable and prevent further abuse. Special focus is placed on police brutality, racial profiling, prison conditions and the war on terror. Intern responsibilities include researching issue areas, tracking issues through the media, handling human rights complaints, conducting legal/nonlegal research, and drafting action and issue briefs. Seeking interns with background or strong interest in criminal justice, civil rights, marketing, and/or community organizing. Send a cover letter with the following information:

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