



RESEARCH AND COMMUNICATIONS INTERN POSITION DESCRIPTION

The Enabling Peace in Iraq Center (EPIC) is dedicated to helping Iraq build a more peaceful, sustainable, and democratic society. We accomplish this by advocating policies that further Iraq's prospects for peace and democracy, and through partnerships with civil society leaders seeking a brighter future for all generations of Iraqis.

EPIC is seeking three part-time, highly qualified and motivated individuals to fill the **Spring 2020 Research and Communications internship positions**.

Start date: Early January, 2020

End date: Early May, 2020

If you are a student, these dates can be negotiated to match your university's schedule.

As we implement our peacebuilding initiatives in Iraq, our interns work closely with the Program Manager and the Executive Director in Washington, DC to carry out and maintain the necessary advocacy, research, fundraising, and administrative frameworks for those projects.

Responsibilities

- Research and summarize daily political, humanitarian and security developments in Iraq.
- Regularly support publishing our weekly Iraq Security and Humanitarian Monitor (ISHM) report.
- Create dynamic and engaging written content for EPIC's website, blog, social media outlets (Twitter, Facebook and Instagram), and email communications.
- Assist EPIC staff in the production of the IRAQ MATTERS podcast, including recording, editing, and promoting new episodes.
- Assist in updating website content and applying tools for Search Engine Optimization.
- Assist in managing and updating EPIC's supporter database and email lists.
- Assist in the development of written foundation and corporate proposals.
- Monitor the latest UN and INGO findings and the administration's policies toward Iraq.
- Attend congressional hearings and think-tank briefings and share summaries with the EPIC team.
- Provide general administrative support as well as additional responsibilities as assigned.



If you are looking for a challenging internship where you will see the results of your work, EPIC is the place for you. We highly encourage active dialogue and discussion about topics related to Iraq, the Middle East in general, U.S. foreign policy, and humanitarian relief efforts. Our interns receive as much from the program as they are willing to give.

Qualifications

- Demonstrated interest and familiarity with the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region, especially Iraq, on humanitarian, security, and development issues
- Excellent research and writing skills, with excellent attention to detail and the ability to process multiple tasks at once
- Ability to thoroughly research topics and find answers with limited instruction
- Proficiency with Google documents and Microsoft Office is required, experience with WordPress, HTML, and/or Adobe Photoshop is preferred
- Self-motivated, flexible, diligent, detail- and team-oriented
- Experience with grassroots advocacy and organizing is preferred
- Proficiency in reading Arabic is required
- A sense of humor is a strong plus +

While this is an unpaid internship, limited travel assistance may be available on a case by case basis.

How to Apply

Submit a **resume, cover letter, and a writing sample** (max. 3 pages) to careers@epic-usa.org by **November 30, 2019**. Please include "Internship Application" and your name in the subject line. Preference will be given to recent grads and graduate students, but undergrads are strongly encouraged to apply.

EPIC is an equal opportunity employer.