TERMS OF REFERENCE
(IN0181221)

Post title: Research Intern (Crime and Criminal Justice)

Duty Station: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime – Statistics Korea Centre of Excellence (UNODC-KOSTAT CoE), Daejeon, Republic of Korea

Duration: 3-6 months

Background:
The CoE, established in 2019, provides and organizes technical assistance and training activities to support Member States in the Asia-Pacific to improve statistical methodologies and technical capabilities in the production, collection, analysis and dissemination of crime and criminal justice statistics, which is vital for evidence-based policymaking and monitoring the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). Specific attention is given to key thematic challenges in the Asia-Pacific including gender-based violence, corruption, smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and adherence to international standards in criminal justice systems, among others. CoE objectives are met by promoting the adoption and implementation of the International Classification of Crime for Statistical Purposes (ICCS), increasing the availability and quality of data provided to UN-Crime Trends Survey (UN-CTS), and supporting the development of Corruption Surveys and Crime Victimization Surveys.

Duties and Responsibilities:
Under the overall supervision of the Centre of Excellence Coordinator and directly reporting to unit supervisors, the intern will provide support for activities relating to research, training, and technical support to Member States in the UNODC. Duties will include but are not limited to:

• Support research on regional and subregional trends of crime and criminal justice in Asia-Pacific on selected topics (homicide, corruption, trafficking in persons, sexual violence, illicit financial flows), and on innovation for crime prevention, in accordance with the UN Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and SDG National Voluntary reviews;
• Support the development of training content for regional and national trainings and helping to organize meetings, seminars and events to promote CoE cooperation with donors, foundations, the private sector and government partners;
• Contribute towards writing reports and note-taking in meetings;
• Provide administrative and logistical support for in-office activities;
• Other research support, upon request.

Objective and Learning Opportunities:
The candidate/intern will gain both substantive and operational knowledge related to assigned topics and thematic areas of crime and criminal justice from a UNODC perspective. In addition, the internship will help to provide a broad understanding of UNODC’s mandates, obtain diverse working experience in the UN system, and gain technical skills related to crime and criminal justice research and achieve an understanding of the value of data, with a specific focus on Asia and the Pacific.

Qualifications and Requirements:
Education
To qualify for an internship, applicants must meet one of the following requirements:
  a) be enrolled in a graduate school programme (second university degree or higher);
  b) be enrolled in the final academic year of a first university degree programme (minimum Bachelor’s level or equivalent); or
c) have graduated with a university degree and, if selected, must commence the internship within a one-year period of graduation.

Interested candidates must be pursuing or pursued their degree in areas related to this Job Opening:

Criminology, Law, Political and Social Sciences, International Relations, or other field relevant to the position.

In addition, interested candidates must meet the following requirements:

- Experience carrying out research in the areas of criminology, statistics, criminal law and/or crime and criminal justice is desirable
- Be computer literate in standard software applications including MS Suite
- Familiarity with qualitative and quantitative methods in social science research
- Experience in survey development and/or implementation is desirable
- Experience using data visualization tools such as Tableau is desirable
- Have a demonstrated ability to successfully interact with individuals of different cultural backgrounds and beliefs, which include willingness to try and understand and be tolerant of differing opinions and views

Language requirements

- Fluency in written and spoken English is required

Financial Aspects

The United Nations does not remunerate interns in any way. Costs and arrangements for travel, visas, health insurance, accommodation and living expenses are the responsibility of the interns or their sponsoring institutions. Interns will not be entitled to any compensation for travel arrangements to and from the work location. Interns do not receive a salary or emoluments from the United Nations.

Terms of Appointment

Duration of the internship is 3-6 months. Participating interns are required to work fulltime during office hours. Time is allowed for outside research work and interviews.

Duty Station

The successful candidate will usually work at the UNODC-KOSTAT CoE office, in Daejeon, Republic of Korea. However, remote working is also negotiable.

Expected Start Date

17 January 2022

To apply, persons interested in the internship programme should submit the Application Form with supplementary documents:

- A Cover Letter indicating the preferred duration of the internship;
- A Curriculum Vitae (CV) or resume;
- Proof of continuing studies or graduation certificate.

All supporting documents shall be scanned and attached in one pdf file.

Interested persons should email their application to unodc-kostat.coe@un.org until 9 January 2022 23:59 (KST). The subject line of your email must contain the following: “IN0181221 – Crime and Criminal Justice – Your Name”. Applications submitted after the closing date will not be considered.