

Caucasus Research Resource Centers (CRRC) International Internships

Type: Internship

Wage: Unpaid; we encourage candidates to seek outside funding; help finding housing provided

Start: May/June 2007

Application Deadline: March 5, 2007

Openings: 3-6, one or two in each country

Location(s): Tbilisi, Georgia; Baku, Azerbaijan; Yerevan, Armenia

Hours: 40 hours/week

Organization Description

The Caucasus Research Resource Centers program (CRRC) is a network of resource and training centers established in the capital cities of Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia with the goal of strengthening social science research and public policy analysis in the South Caucasus.

A partnership between the Carnegie Corporation of New York and the Eurasia Foundation (EF), the program's outcomes are to increase the accessibility of high-quality research resources, to strengthen capacity and to increase the dialogue and collaboration between social science researchers and policy practitioners.

Since the opening of the Centers in 2003, CRRC has become a nexus of activity for the South Caucasus social science community by providing open access to fundamental literature, data and professional training for social science researchers. The centers will make it easier for researchers to pursue original work, to base their research on actual data and to participate in the growing domestic policy research community.

Direct and indirect CRRC beneficiaries include social science researchers, faculty members from academic institutions, policy practitioners and other professionals from non-governmental, private and public sectors.

To find out more visit our website at <http://www.crrccenters.org/>.

Internship Qualifications

This internship is primarily designed for applicants enrolled in an English language program, who possess native or near-native English language skills. Applicants must have a strong interest and background in the social sciences (policy-related or think tank experience is a benefit); have completed two years of college course work by the time the internship begins (graduate students are highly encouraged to apply); be familiar with Microsoft programs (knowledge of statistical programs such as SPSS or Stata is desirable); have well-developed communication, teamwork and organizational skills; take



initiative and work independently with little supervision; and be able to work in a complex environment in developing countries. Knowledge of Russian or a local language (Armenian, Azerbaijani, Georgian) and experience in the NIS region is a plus. Candidates who have their own research agenda will be given priority. Applicants must be willing to commit to the internship for a minimum of two months. Candidates should specify if they have a country preference. All applicants will be notified by March 15 and candidates will be obligated to accept or decline by April 2.

Internship Description

Duties may include but are not limited to conducting research and helping local researchers publish their findings; organizing social science trainings; updating CRRC's English language materials; preparing outreach materials; updating and managing databases; and organizing special events and conferences. There is also the opportunity to establish long-term cooperation with local researchers and policymakers, as well as learn Russian and/or a local language and conduct research during the course of the internship.

Hot to Apply

Your application should include a scanned copy of your transcript, a resumé including three references and a cover letter explaining why this position is of interest.

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