



Legal Internship At the UN Refugee Agency, Brussels Office

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees offers assistance and protection to refugees around the world. UNHCR is one of the largest refugee agencies, with a staff of 16,800 employees who help some 70 million people in over 134 countries.

The Protection Unit for Belgium and Luxembourg seeks two legal interns for a six-month internship, starting in February 2020.

Applicants should be Dutch or French speakers at native speaker's level, with a Masters in Law, International Affairs, or Political Sciences, and have an excellent command of written and spoken English and a very good knowledge of French or Dutch. Evidence of previous experience or a strong interest in refugee matters or human rights is appreciated. Applicants should have graduated from university no longer than one year before the start of the internship, and should have no direct family ties with a UNHCR staff member (including Temporary Appointment holder) nor with a member of the Affiliate Workforce.

What we offer

- Experience with a UN agency
- Work in a dynamic, international environment
- Learning about refugee and statelessness issues with one of the largest humanitarian organisations in the world
- First-hand accounts of refugee situations, via presentations given by staff assisting refugees in Belgium and abroad
- A variety of interesting tasks
- Opportunity to use languages (English, French and Dutch)

General description of internship

- Monitoring and analysing Belgian and Luxembourg asylum law and practice
- Researching country of origin information and a variety of refugee and statelessness issues
- Drafting a wide variety of documents including reports and correspondence, and responding to information requests
- Writing, editing and translating texts (in English, Dutch and French, according to native language)
- Assisting with the organization of events
- Assisting with general office tasks

How to apply

Please e-mail your CV and cover letter no later than 15 January 2020 to belbrhr@unhcr.org with the subject 'BELUX Legal intern Spring 2020 Brussels'.

Please note that only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

