

Internship Programme 01 September 2014 – 31 August 2015 Freedoms and Justice Department (FJ)

The department is looking for interns with either a social science or legal education (and professional background – where relevant), and is particularly interested in encouraging applications from persons with a background in survey research and/or quantitative data analysis (including statisticians).

1. Description of the Department

The mission of the Freedoms and Justice Department is to conduct social science and legal research, including fieldwork-based data collection and statistical analysis, in the following areas which are clustered under four departmental sectors; namely:

- Access to Justice: dealing with issues such as access to justice in equality cases, the role of national human rights institutions, and victims of crime and the role of victim support services.
- Asylum, Migration and Borders: dealing with issues such as the treatment of third country nationals at the EU's external borders, the situation of irregular migrants, and border control and fundamental rights compliance.
- Information Society, Privacy and Data Protection: dealing with issues such as data protection remedies, the work of national data protection authorities and information society and surveillance.
- Statistics and Surveys: dealing with large-scale survey research undertaken by the Agency on different fundamental rights themes and different groups in society – such as the Roma, LGBT persons, and the subject of violence against women.

Staff members and interns in the Department work closely with colleagues in the other research department of the Agency, Equality and Citizens, on different projects and cross-cutting themes. They also work with other colleagues in-house at various stages of project outreach.

2. General description of the functions and duties of the intern(s) during the internship period

Interns in the Department will be under the supervision of the Head of Sector to which they have been assigned, and will be expected to carry



out different research and support activities related to project-based and other departmental work. For example, interns in Freedoms and Justice are expected to:

- Undertake background desk research on selected projects.
- Provide draft input for selected reports, which includes the revision of existing material.
- Closely follow policy development in specific areas.
- Assist in reviewing material submitted for project work which can cover all 28 Member States.
- Assist in the organisation of and output from meetings with researchers, experts, stakeholders and contractors in relation to specific projects.
- With respect to interns working with the Statistics and Surveys sector

 they should specifically assist in the overall development and management of large-scale survey research; which will include the use of SPSS and other relevant software for the analysis of quantitative data

In addition to the above, interns will be expected to undertake general tasks as assigned by Heads of Sector and the Head of the Freedoms and Justice Department.