

Paid Summer Internships: Investigating the Effects of Incarceration on Children

The Prison Nursery Project (PNP) is seeking a team of interdisciplinary students from the University of Minnesota for a paid, two-month summer internship. PNP is a new Minneapolis-based non-profit organization dedicated to investigating the impact of incarcerating mothers with their young children in prisons throughout the world. The well-being of children whose mothers are incarcerated is a relatively unseen, understudied phenomenon with serious developmental and human rights implications.

Because of the need for current and reliable information to understand this issue, the Prison Nursery Project seeks talented and committed interns to conduct a comprehensive search and summary of scholarly literature in various disciplines, as well as other reports that reference the positive and negative effects of incarcerating children with their mothers. The summer research project will culminate a written report presented publicly for an international audience.

The team will work with under the auspices of the University of Minnesota's [Human Rights Program](#). Interns will work remotely, but have office space when needed at the Human Rights Program. Team members will be expected to meet regularly as a group to receive feedback and direction from University of Minnesota faculty from the Humphrey School of Public Affairs and the Human Rights Program in the College of Liberal Arts, as well as PNP board members with experience in criminal justice and human rights issues.

Qualifications: Graduate students in human rights, public policy, law, psychology, sociology or other program related to issue of children and incarceration are preferred. Upper level undergraduates will be considered. To be successful, candidates must have demonstrated research and writing skills. Previous work on international issues and fluency in a second language is preferred.

Deadline for applications: February 27, 2015

Commitment: 40 hours per week, from June 1 – July 31st

Stipend: \$5,500 graduate student; \$4,000 undergraduate student.

Students may apply for University grants to supplement this stipend.

Application process: Please email a CV and cover letter by February 27, 2015, explaining interest in and qualifications for the internship to:

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