

Research and Statistics Summer Intern – Nutrition Policy and Early Childhood Programs Team

Position Available

The Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) seeks an intern to work with FRAC's nutrition policy and early childhood programs team in the Summer of 2018. The intern will work with the team to manage data and to produce statistical analyses and data visualizations for FRAC's reports and web site.

Organizational Background

FRAC is the leading national nonprofit organization working to improve and implement effective public policies and public-private partnerships to eradicate hunger and undernutrition in the United States. FRAC engages in research, technical assistance, information dissemination, policy analysis and advocacy, coalition-building, and an array of communications strategies. FRAC works in partnership with hundreds of national, state and local nonprofit organizations, public agencies, corporations and labor organizations to address hunger and food insecurity, and poverty as their root cause.

Skills and Qualifications

- Must be in graduate school working towards a Master's degree or higher in public health, nutrition, public policy, statistics, data science, or other relevant area; OR already possess a similar degree.
- Experience with processing and analyzing data in statistical programs (e.g., Stata, R, Python).
- Experience and/or demonstrated interest in food insecurity, child health, poverty, nutrition policy and/or nutrition-related issues.
- Familiarity with data visualization platforms (e.g., Plotly, Tableau, Carto) is helpful but not required.
- Understanding of hunger and poverty and their impact upon communities, families, and individuals.
- Commitment to working for social justice.

Responsibilities and Potential Projects

- Assist with analysis of federal nutrition program participation, poverty, and food insecurity, using statistical software.
- Assist with creation of data tools and data visualizations.

- Track and analyze trends of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) to create advocacy tools and state & national data reports.
- Assist nutrition policy and early childhood program team with additional research needs.

Benefits

This internship may be done either to meet course /program requirements or as a volunteer. If this is done on a volunteer basis, FRAC will reimburse commuting expenses up to \$500.

Start Date

The start and end dates of the internship are flexible, but the ideal candidate will be available for an 8-week internship. Interns are expected to work at least 30 hours per week.

To Apply

Email cover letter, resume, 1-2 samples of code and/or data visualizations, and list of 3 references to employment@frac.org. Include “Research and Statistics Summer Intern” in the subject line.

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