Interning at ARTICLE 19

Office for Mexico and Central America

Interning at the ARTICLE 19 Office for Mexico and Central America provides a mentored, experiential learning opportunity for young professionals planning a career in human rights and/or the non–governmental sector. Interns should expect to enter a busy, but supportive environment as part of the office's diverse and highly skilled team. During the internship, students will be exposed to the skills, experiences and relationships necessary for a successful career in global human rights and non-governmental organizations.

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What does ARTICLE 19 México and Central America do?

Campaña Global por la Libertad de Expresión A19, A.C. (ARTICLE 19 Mexico and Central America) was established in Mexico in 2008. ARTICLE 19 Mexico and Central America is part of a global network of seven ARTICLE 19 regional offices, with headquarters in London, United Kingdom. Today, the organization in Mexico employs 25 full-time staff members.

ARTICLE 19's goals are structured around five programmatic pillars which make-up the organisation's six-year strategy, the Expression Agenda (2015-2021): Transparency, Media, Digital, Civic Space and Accountability. ARTICLE 19's theory of change combines programmatic, legal and campaign work, and includes multiactor and local to global engagement to maximize its impact.

Through its protection and defense, right to information and digital programs, the organization works in Mexico to promote and defend freedom of expression and information so that people can express themselves, access information and enjoy freedom of the media. ARTICLE 19 monitors attacks on freedom of expression, including violence against journalists, protests and surveillance. ARTICLE 19 also works with rural communities on access to information to improve their ability to access the fulfillment of their social, cultural and economic rights. ARTICLE 19 raises freedom of expression violations to international forums and trains journalists, media and civil society to use freedom of information laws and defend freedom of expression rights online and offline.

Since the start of its operations in Mexico, the organisation has become a reference on freedom of expression and information for beneficiaries (journalists, media workers, bloggers and other social communicators), as well as for media, academia, government and international actors alike, who regularly seek out its expertise.



What will I do as an intern?

Internship duties are based on ARTICLE 19 Mexico and Central America's current programs and span all levels of operations. Interns act as staff and spend their time working directly on activities assigned to them, including project research/documentation and/or project support, depending on the skills, experience and background of each intern.

Examples of possible activities include:

- Elaboration of information requests, database creation, coding and data analysis.
- Participation in the elaboration of blogs and reports for dissemination to the Mexican general public, partners and the media.
- Carry out fieldwork in the states in support of an access to information project with indigenous women (data collection, interviews, focus groups).
- Communication activities, including newsletter production, alternative fundraising activities, merchandising and branding.
- Support the legal analysis of national media-related legislation and regarding the protection of journalists.
- Legal research on international and comparative human rights law related to the rights to freedom of expression and freedom of information.
- Support the implementation of workshops on protection of journalists and the development of networks.
- Participation in communication campaigns and production of campaign materials.
- Provide thematic input and participate in the elaboration of briefs and documents for the different programmatic areas and on a wide variety of topics (violence against women online, access to information and the right to information, freedom of expression in Mexico, protest in contexts of elections, surveillance, privacy and data protection, right to truth, and any other relevant topic that the organization is working on).



Who is eligible to apply?

Current or recent master's degree students (or bachelor's level with relevant experience) in the areas of international human rights, international development, business and human rights, communication, and law as well as others interested in a future career in international non–governmental organizations are encouraged to apply. At least basic Spanish and proficiency in English is necessary.

How long is the internship and how often are they offered?

Internships are offered year-round, depending on availability of project and activities and staff ability and availability to mentor and supervise. Interns are asked to commit to 40 hours per week for a minimum of three months; however, arrangements are flexible and will be evaluated on a case by case basis. The intern will follow the same public holiday schedules as the rest of the organization.



Where is the internship located?

Interns will work at the Mexico City Office in the San Miguel Chapultepec area, centrally located right by Bosque de Chapultepec, fifteen minutes from Reforma and right next to the hip neighborhood of Condesa – a favourite with foreigners living in Mexico. The closest metro station is Metro Juanacatlan or Metro Chapultepec.

Castle of Chapultepec Station Chapultepec **CHAPULTEPEC** Av. Constituyentes Juan Escutia St. Fernando Montes de Oca St. Station Juanacatlán **CONDESA**

Who oversees interns?

A Programme Officer at the ARTICLE 19 Mexico and Central America office will serve as direct supervisor/mentor and key contact and support for interns, answering questions and addressing concerns. The intern and his/her supervisor will outline objectives and activities to be met during the internship period.



Are interns provided compensation and/or housing?

ARTICLE 19 Mexico and Central America is not able to provide funding or stipends to its interns. Even though the office is not able to provide or arrange housing for interns, the office staff is happy to assist in locating temporary apartments/AirBnB's in the area and help with any other questions that the intern may have.

How do I apply?

If interested, please send your resume (CV) and cover letter, explaining your area of interest, your background and your personal motivation for applying to a position as intern at ARTICLE 19 Mexico via email to:

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