



# Development Internships

## Organization Description

Free the Slaves (FTS) liberates slaves and changes the social, economic and political conditions that allow slavery to persist. We support community-driven interventions in partnership with local groups that help people to sustainable freedom and dismantle a region's system of slavery. We convince governments, international development organizations and businesses to implement key changes required for global eradication. We document and disseminate leading-edge practices to help the anti-slavery movement work more effectively. We raise awareness and promote action by opinion leaders, decision makers and the public. Free the Slaves is showing the world that ending slavery is possible.

Learn more: [freetheslaves.net](http://freetheslaves.net).

## Internship Program Description

The Free the Slaves internship program is a formal effort to develop and train future leaders of the anti-slavery movement. We seek to provide each participant with training and hands-on experience in various facets of anti-slavery work. The program operates out of the Washington, D.C. office of Free the Slaves on a semester system, with three sessions per year: spring (January to May), summer (June to August), and fall (September to December). Participants are expected to participate in an orientation session at the beginning of each semester.

Internships are unpaid but students are often able to arrange academic credit, as Free the Slaves internships often offer direct exposure to the workings of an international human rights organization, close supervision by FTS staff, interaction with other U.S. and international organizations and foreign and domestic government officials, and opportunities to attend lectures, trainings, and special events relating to federal and international anti-slavery advocacy. Students should check with their individual academic institutions for requirements.

## Development Internships

The development intern will work closely with the development team to support our national and international fundraising and movement-building efforts.

Tasks may include the following:

- Maintain and expand FTS online presence on social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)
- Prospect research for individual, foundation and government funding opportunities
- Assist in communications with major funders
- Edit, compile, and write grant reports and proposals
- Write blog posts and other updates
- Participate in fundraising strategy sessions
- Event planning assistance
- Interns will answer phones and provide other administrative support as needed.

## Applicant Requirements

- Currently enrolled in or a recent graduate of an accredited college or university as a degree-seeking student.
- Minimum three-month commitment strongly preferred.
- Willingness to learn, and history of excellence in studies.
- Interest and/or involvement in anti-slavery or human rights a plus.
- Strong proficiency with MS Office. Experience with graphic or Web design a plus.
- Fluent in English, with excellent written and oral communication skills. Additional language skills a plus.
- Works well independently and as a part of a team. Demonstrated history of initiative and working well with both supervisors and peers.

## Application Directions

Please apply immediately by submitting your application via this link: <http://smrtr.io/nDQ2HQ>. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis beginning several months before each new semester. Early applications are encouraged.

*Free the Slaves is an equal-opportunity organization. Qualified applicants are considered without regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or veteran status.*