



Internship Description
New Business Development
Location: Washington, D.C.

About Free the Slaves

Founded in 2000, Free the Slaves (FTS) is a pioneer and leader in the global effort to eradicate slavery. Our mission is to liberate those in slavery and to change the conditions that allow slavery to persist. Free the Slaves works at the grassroots to empower vulnerable individuals and communities to achieve freedom from slavery and develop resistance to slavery. We work with and through local partners to build national capacity to combat slavery and trafficking.

Headquartered in Washington, D.C., with programs in Ghana, India, Nepal, Haiti, Senegal, Dominican Republic, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Free the Slaves has an annual operating budget of approximately \$3.2 million, a talented and dedicated staff of 23, including 12 in its country offices and field programs, and a highly engaged and supportive board of directors.

For more information, see: www.freetheslaves.net.

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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. In addition to hands-on experience, candidates that are interested in honing their skill-set in development will be provided with opportunities to participate in formal development training (online or in-person) through the Foundation Center.

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.

New Business Development Intern

This intern reports directly to the foundations and government grants consultant. The intern will help research key players in the anti-slavery movement, including foundations, U.S. government, multi-lateral and European donors. This role involves strategic thinking, a passion for the mission, and the ability to thoroughly research complex and interconnected themes. Prior knowledge of trafficking and the international donor environment is not required.

Responsibilities

- Supports prospect research of private and public sector donors
- Supports country-led efforts to identify funding streams
- Analyzes donor opportunities within broader areas of international development, human rights, and women/children rights, and makes recommendations for alignment between FTS programs and donor priorities

Qualifications

The ideal candidate will have:

- Fluency in English
- Ability to work independently with an aptitude for detail
- A strong interest in learning about the operations of a mission driven NGO, particularly the development aspect
- Willingness to work in a fast-paced environment requiring responsiveness to field programs
- Familiarity with – or interest in learning about -- trafficking, international development, poverty reduction programs and the international donor environment

How to Apply

Applications should include a cover letter that outlines relevant interests, skills and experience, and include a resume and list of references. **PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR RESUME, COVER LETTER, and REFERENCES AS ONE WORD OR PDF DOCUMENT TO <http://smrtr.io/oWi9yg>**. Please include your last name in the title of the submitted document.

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