Terms of Reference

Connected Education Internship

Division of Resilience and Solutions, Education Section

UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, is offering a full-time internship with the **Education Section** under the **Division of Resilience and Solutions, UNHCR Copenhagen Headquarters in Denmark.**

Established in December 1950, UNHCR is a global organization dedicated to saving lives, protecting rights and building a better future for asylum seekers, refugees, returnees, internally displaced communities and stateless people. Every year, millions of men, women and children are forced to flee their homes to escape conflict and persecution. UNHCR currently operates in over 130 countries, using its long expertise to protect and care for millions.

**Title**: Connected Education Intern

**Duty Station**: Copenhagen, Denmark

**Duration**: 6 Months

**Contract** **Type**: **Internship**

**Earliest Hire Date**: July 2024

**Target End date:** January 2025

Organizational context

Education is an integral part of protection for persons of concern to UNHCR, over 50% of whom are children. The Division of Resilience and Solutions (DRS), in close collaboration with Regional Bureaux and the Division of Programme Support and Management, is working on an integrated and holistic approach to support locations in implementing the policies and guidelines on education, children, gender equality and community-based protection. In support of this, DRS provides operational support, policy direction, and strategic guidance to field operations.

Refugee Education 2030, the overarching strategy for refugee inclusion, emphasizes the importance of lifelong learning, partnerships, and learning achievement. The Strategy also emphasizes the need to increase access to quality primary, secondary and tertiary education. Since that time, specific technical support has been provided to a group of priority countries, including regular missions, communication, and participation in workshops to support the development of national education strategies.

UNHCR seeks to increase and enhance access through leveraging technological and pedagogical advances, including expanding Connected Education programming. The goal of Connected Education is to utilize innovative approaches to expand and enhance quality education and increase digital literacy for displaced communities and those that host them. Working with national government - Ministries of Education and ICT and local mobile network operators, content provider, development agencies, donors and NGOs - Connected Education focuses on establishing new connections between people, knowledge and novel perspectives. It achieves this by exploring a range of high-tech and low-tech solutions including utilizing innovative pedagogical approaches, community-led design methods, diverse convening platforms, and leveraging context-appropriate technological advances to improve teaching and learning.

The position

The Connected Education Intern will support the Education team with various aspects related to Connected Education, technical support to country operations, advocacy, and policy development. During the internship, the intern will gain valuable knowledge and experience in the field of Connected Education.

Duties and responsibilities

* Assist the Education Section in providing support to country-level Connected Education programming and implementation.
* Support the development of strategic policy guidance and toolkits on Connected Education for refugees.
* Assist with advocacy efforts to promote Connected Education at a global level.
* Collaborate with the Connected Education team to support the management of global education initiatives.
* Support the data collection, analysis, and report drafting related to Connected Education initiatives.
* Work closely with UNHCR colleagues, partners, and stakeholders to advance the Connected Education agenda.

Minimum qualifications required

In order to be considered for an internship, candidates must meet the following eligibility criteria:

* Be either a recent graduate (having completed their studies within two years of applying) or a current student in a graduate/undergraduate school programme from a university or higher education facility accredited by [IAU/UNESCO](https://whed.net/home.php); and
* Have completed at **least two years of undergraduate studies** in a field relevant or of interest to the work of UNHCR.
* Required Language is English at B2 level

**NOTE:** An individual whose father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister is a staff member of UNHCR, including a Temporary Appointment holder or a member of the Affiliate Workforce, is not eligible for an internship.

Desirable competencies

* Demonstrated commitment to and interest in global education development, as well as familiarity with EdTech
* Ability to work harmoniously within a team, fostering collaboration with colleagues to achieve the shared objectives of the organization.
* Effective organizational and time management skills.
* Capacity to work independently and take initiative.
* Prior work experience in a developing country or within an international organization, or related experience is an advantage.

Conditions

It is a full -time role with working hours starting from 8;00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday (40 hours per week). The successful candidate will be assigned to support the team inCopenhagen, Denmark.

**Allowance:** Interns who do not receive financial support from an outside party will receive an allowance to partially help to cover the cost of food, local transportation and living expenses.

Applicants should provide proof that he/she will be fully covered by a medical insurance plan valid for the period of his/her internship which also covers medical evacuation from the internship duty station.

How to apply

Interested applicants should submit their application through [www.unhcr.org/careers.html](http://www.unhcr.org/careers.html) click on vacancies and search for **JR \_\_\_\_\_\_**.

The UNHCR workforce consists of many diverse nationalities, cultures, languages and opinions. UNHCR seeks to sustain and strengthen this diversity to ensure equal opportunities as well as an inclusive working environment for its entire workforce. Applications are encouraged from all qualified candidates without distinction on grounds of race, colour, sex, national origin, age, religion, disability, sexual orientation and gender identity.

UNHCR does not charge a fee at any stage of its recruitment process (application, interview, meeting, travelling, processing or training.

We welcome applications from candidates with a refugee or stateless background.